

The Peanut



Top Left — Belva Boone with her trusty bassoon takes time out from playing to cheer during a pep rally.

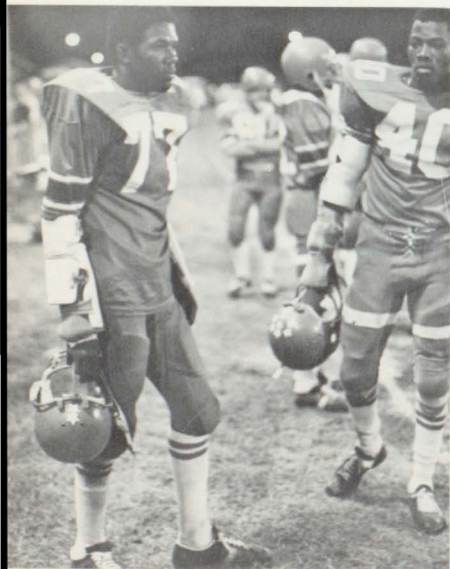
Top Right — On a cold winter day, Mr. Davis and Mrs. Trump could even be seen discussing events over the heat ventilator.

The excitement of the Homecoming football game kept all students cheering.

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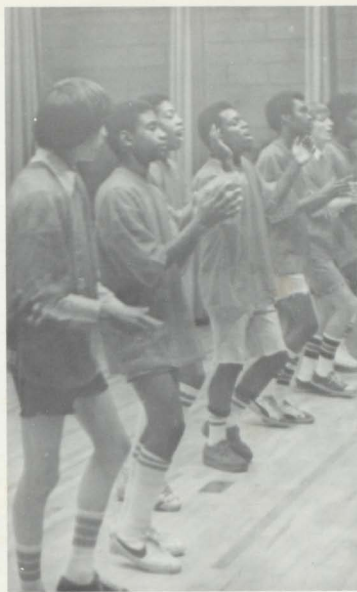
Pam Baines washes up in the newly decorated bathroom.

New greenery in the office is donated by the Vo-Tech School



Chris Miles sneaks a peak at his hands before he gets caught.

"Brotherly togetherness?" Edwin and Pernell Williams share the same interest — Red Raider Football



First Day Blues

In preparation for the 1977-78 students, most of the classrooms underwent a "face lift" of sorts during the summer. Walls were painted to dispose of the familiar graffiti, old desks were replaced, and plants were even donated for the administration office by the Green-Thumbs Club. However, even with all the improvements in the atmosphere, the first days of school were not met by totally smiling faces. The familiar complaints were heard ringing down the halls:

"Do you believe this—homework on the first day!!!"

"I still don't see why we can't have all our classes on the same floor. I have to go from the first to third all in one shot!!"

"I was just getting used to summer vacation; I'm not ready to start worrying about Ancient Greece or adverbs yet!!"

"Too much thinkin' is bad for your brain; ya know what I mean?"

Of course, no one took the complaints too seriously. It just wouldn't be school if the students didn't gripe! Everyone knew though, that they didn't mean it (?)



The Senior powder puff cheerleaders raise spirit at the pep rally.

Mr. Jack Pruitt talks with Tracy Rice and other pupils in Mrs. Alwood's class about Costa Rica.



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The fire rises to the sky as spirit soars beyond at the special bonfire before the big Southampton game.

Thinking intensely as to what to say at the first pep rally, Rock Eason and Pernell Williams listen as Kenny Miller speaks first.



Getting Involved

Having survived the first few days of school, many students began to see things fall into place. Students were seen jostling through the halls on the way to class and the administration was seen inevitably strolling the halls to be sure that no wayward soul skipped class. Skipping was a great temptation during those first days because the heat was almost unbearable. However, as is usually the case, both students and teachers made the best of the situation.

Of course, school was not always classrooms and homework. The football players worked diligently for the thrill of that first big game. During summer vacation, they had missed the excitement of being cheered on by the crowd and the familiar cry, "Go Raiders!" Clubs also began enthusiastically. Both the Key Club and the Interact Club marked their presence by making new members wear outlandish costumes to school for initiation. Student involvement seemed to be on the rise.

"I thought the golf match was tomorrow!" Barry Beck jokes around with David Espinosa and Charles Parr on Key Club initiation day.

Everyone listens to the pep speeches made by Coach Mike Debranski.

George Bailey and Pete Leggett show great enthusiasm while waiting for Renée Trump to finish with Michelle Ward's senior portraits.

Raising spirit for the first powder puff game was the main objective at the special pep rally.



Eddie Mazell comes down with a rebound in the exciting game with Kennedy.



The Senior team gathers around for the pre-game pep talk with Coach Rock Eason.



Ronald Arrington stands proudly because he is the leading scorer on the champion J.V. team.



People Make It Happen

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The focus was on students at the beginning of the school year. They were everywhere working, making suggestions, expressing their views, getting involved. The Peanut Bowl was earlier than usual, October 7, but all the classes worked very hard to get their floats ready on time. Students also got involved in presenting assemblies, and members of the Honor Society even acted as school guides during the first Open House. Crowds at football games were larger than in the past few seasons, to the delight of both the cheerleaders and the football team. There was a definite feeling of pride in the air. It was evident to everyone, even though some wouldn't admit it. The students were going to get the most out of this year because when it was over, they wanted to look back and say,

"We made it what it was!!"



"Breakdown — Rahl!" The Red Raiders warm up for the second half.

Mary Taylor and Nan Howard share a laugh while working on the float.





WHO WE WERE

Who's "we"? "We" means the handsome group who filled into the auditorium to have their picture taken during those first grueling days of school. Taking class pictures was, as always, an exciting time. Everyone came to school "all spiffed up" for the occasion hoping that their picture would be better than it was the previous year. So here they are — the mugshots!!

During the fall, many students spent their Friday nights cheering the football team on.

Diane Acey
James Almond
Jennie Alwood
Ronald Arrington
Jacqueline Artis
Teresa Babb



Marcus Ballard
Della Barnes
Johnny Barnes
Joyce Barnes
Arthur Barrett
Alverte Baton



Bryan Bayens
Sandy Beach



Kathy Beale
Buddy Beales



Eddie Blecher
Linwood Blount



Michael Boone
Wayne Boswell
Gary Boykins
Darlene Bradshaw
Thomas Bradshaw
Mary Brock



Richard Brock
Larry Brown
Tyrone Burks
Larry Butts
Voncil Butts
Mike Carmack



Freshmen class officers: Secre-
tary — Annette Christian, Vice Presi-
dent — Jackie Scott, President — Bev-
erly Coats, Treasurer — Jerry Wilson



Wanda Casper
Barbara Cathy
Elizabeth Chalkley



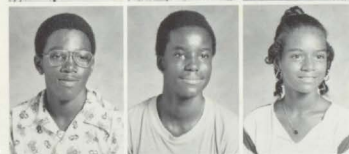
Thomas Chapman
Chris Chappell
Joyce Cherry



Annette Christian
Beverly Coats
Tammy Coker



Maxine Copeland
Danny Council
James Daniels
Susie Darden
Wilson Darden
Nancy Daughtrey



Donald Davis
Kim Davis
Laura Davis



Betty Dickens
Barry Dillard
Jo Ann Engle



Ernest Edwards
Renée Eure
Ray Fenwick

Laura Davis and Donna Lassiter study for their first exam.



Newcomer Dilemma

Adjusting to a strange school, new courses and teachers, and a different group of peers can be difficult for any new student and our freshman class was not an exception. Starting in high school brought with it many thrills as well as numerous trials. As always, there was the agony of getting used to climbing three flights of stairs in the short interval between classes. Challenging courses and stricter teachers also had their parts in the "newcomer dilemma." Social life picked up for many and some acquired new friends within the school community. All in all, the change wasn't easy; but, nevertheless, it was met and many memories resulted from the experiences.

In the Family Living Class, Captain King from the Fire Department, explains to a group of freshmen how a smoke alarm works.

Fran Fletcher



Linda Francis



Danny Fulcher



Larry Gambrell
David Gardner
Sandy Gay
Mary Grady
Harold Green
Anthony Han



Deborah Harrell
Alonza Harris
Catherine Harris
Natalie Harrison
Kenny Hart
Willis Haskins



Eric Hayes
Robert Hayes
Edward Higinbotham
Boyd Hogan
Faith Holliman
Michael Humphrey



Speaking of Mug Shots . .



The second day of school was rather early for underclassmen pictures to be taken; many freshmen were surprised at finding out "mug shots" were scheduled so close to the beginning of the new school year. To those unfamiliar with the term, individual pictures are called "mug shots" in yearbook circles.

Cries of anguish and dissatisfaction were overheard in the picture-taking area, in homerooms, and around the school. Exclamations such as these were characteristic in the auditorium on the proclaimed:

"Oh, no! Look at my hair — I just came from gym!!"

"He made me smile and I didn't want to!"

"This isn't the shirt I wanted to wear!"

And then of course, lamentations were similar when students received their proofs:

"I was asleep!"

"I can't understand why I'm so white!"

Of course, someone had to comment on the trauma of bad photographs:

"It seems that out of 426 underclassmen, somebody would just love their mug shot!"



Edward Hyatt
Edward Jefferson
Charlene Johnson
Tommy Johnson
Eunice Jones
Florence Jones

Nathaniel Jones
Leland Jones
Pearlis Killebrew
April King
Bruce Kinsey
Suzanne Lilley

Laura Newman
Bernard Miles
Benjamin Mitchell
Bernard Mitchell
Betty Moore
Lisa Morrison

Brad Olah
Carnez Outlaw
Richard Parker
Terrie Powell
Jo Anne Rawls



Steve Reel
Carolyn Rice
Audrey Page Richardson
Jerome Riddick
Benita Rountree



Sheila Ruffin
Martin Runyon
Paul Saunders
Bernice Scott
Jackie Scott



Sharon Stephenson
Laverne Simpson
Adrian Skinner
Clarence Smith
James Staples



Wilbert Stevenson
Robin Stolley
Joanne Tillery
Arthur Thomas
William Turner



"Cage the Tigers", the Freshman float, was exhibited at the Peanut Bowl Parade in Downtown Suffolk preceding the Homecoming game. At halftime, the float was awarded fourth place.





Arinetta Vines
LaNae Wheeler
Francis White
Lisa White
Paula White
Stephanie White



Mark Whitley



Curtis Williams



Wanda Williams
Wayne Williams
Charles Wilson
Joe Wilson



Tadpole Wilson



Jenny Wooten



Brian Wyatt

Another Test?

In 1981 Seniors must pass a test to graduate. Although many were aware of this fact, freshmen were shocked to find out that they were the first class required to take and pass this test. The examination will test seniors in English grammar, math concepts, and reading abilities. The purpose behind this required examination is to assure that all high school graduates have acquired enough knowledge to "survive" in life after school.

Edward Adams
Edward Askew
Lisa Babb
Nancy Baines
Teresa Baker
Jane Bangley



Ricky Barnes
David Beamon
Steve Beck
Shirley Bennett
Belva Boone
Suzanne Bowles



Mark Britt
Mary Britt



Dodd Brooks
Charles Brown



Lonnie Brown
Sonya Brown



Sophomore class officers: Treasurer —
Deborah Ritter, Secretary — Tracy
Smallwood, President — Sharon Jones,
Vice President — Rhonda Hite

Wanda Brown
Donald Burgess
Donna Burgess
Dwayne Calvie
Dabney Carr
Pam Carroll



Bob Chapman
David Chavis
Keith Chavis
Debra Clemons
Brenda Copeland
Teresa Darden



Spirited Sophomores

What do all sophomores have in common? SPIRIT! The sophomores have shown their spirit through the pep rallies and through participating enthusiastically in class activities. Through their spirit and effort, the sophomores won first place in the float competition for Homecoming. The sophomores have kept up with their record as being the most school spirited, but there was steady competition from the seniors.

"Spirit is one of the main things that keeps the sophomores alive."

"Man, the class of '80 sure has spirit."



Ken DeJarnette
Tony Dunlow
Dorothy Dunn



Curtis Edwards
Nancy Eley
Renee Evans



Nita Fanny
Regina Goffigan
Paul Gomer



Howard Gray
Kevin Grazier
Victor Griffin
Sharon Hall
Trent Harrell
Rosemary Hazelette



Linda Hertzfeldt
Rhonda Hite
Cindy Hogan
Sandra Holloman
Amy Howarton
Mark Hubbard



Kay Ivey
Clayton James
Lorraine James
Robert Jernigan
Kirk Johnston
Sharon Jones



Cindy King
Glinda Langston
Linda Langston
Daphne Lawrence
Clyde Lundy
Sylvia Lundy

Bobby Miller
Thelma Miller
Scott Mills



Carrie Mitchell
Robin Mitchell
Robin Moore



Randy Newsome
Susan Nurney
Fred Pantone
Faye Parker
Shelia Parker
Ineas Parrish



John Peace
Keith Phelps
James Porter
Marlita Reid
Cathy Richards
Teresa Richards



Martin Richardson
Debbie Ritter
Diane Roberts
Steven Ruffin
Tommy Runyon
Daisy Rush



Linda Ryder
Wayne Sadler
Tommy Salmon
Richard Silver
Wanda Simmons
Paula Simpkins



Tae Kyung Gil observes American customs at a Christmas party.

Stan Holland, a member of the Nansemond Suffolk Volunteer Rescue Squad, observes Rhonda Hite's technique in administering first aid.





Shelia Simpkins
Tracy Smallwood
Darlene Smith
Donna Smith
Connie Soule
Lynn Staton



A New Face

In the halls and classrooms, a new face can be seen. This is the face of Tae Kyung Gil, a native Korean who has just recently come to Suffolk.

After a few days at school, Tae Kyung described it as being a hard but good experience for himself. The things which come natural to American students were very hard to him. Concentrating on grammar, definitions, the school schedule, and a dozen other things required great self discipline on Tae Kyung's behalf.



John Stevens
Toni Stewart



Don Strickland



Barbara Thompson
Lee Trump
Gail Turner
Gia Urquhart
Jim Ward
Walt Ward



Dudley Watson



Amy White
Vernon White



Wanda White
Neal Williams
Victor Williams
Betty Jean Wills
Hazel Wilson
Jackie Wilson

Louis Albertson
Denise Allison
Sarah Alwood
Debra Artis
Sandra Artis
Lloyd Askew



Robert Babb
Mary Anne Barnes
Dennis Bradshaw
Toni Bradshaw
Betty Brown
Herbert Brown



LaTonya Brown
Nancye Byrd



Lynn Claiborn
Bobby Collins



Billy Cones
Margaret Cornett



Junior class officers: President —
LaTonya Brown, Vice President — Pat
Koleszar, Treasurer — Diane Hassell,
Secretary — Debra Artis.

Edward Costley
Faye Covington
Beth Daughtrey
Jimmy Daughtrey
Marcus Daughtrey
Joyce Davis



Odell Deloatch
Susan Dillard
Keith Duke
Mark Duke
Patricia Edwards
Judy Ellis



"Playing" A Different Role

Continuity and change: the theme of American Studies. One way of illustrating this theme was by performing the play "The Cop and the Anthem"

Jimmy Daughtrey had the privilege of playing the lead — Lemuel T. Thwackbusher. This character required him to stretch the limits of his imagination to fence with Jack Frost, and give his rendition of "Bill Bailey". Mrs. Hunter did a great job working with the cast and getting each person in character for his part. Parents were invited to see their children in different roles, and all seemed to enjoy this display of talent.

Being in a play was not a new experience for all cast members; several had participated in plays before. Everyone had a good time, whether this production was their first attempt at acting or they were veterans. And everyone would remember the time and effort put into the production.



David Espinosa
Annette Faucett
David Forsythe



Louis Godwin
Willie Golden
Pat Grady



Jackie Harper
Rose Harris
Diane Hassell



Pauline Hayes
Rose Hill
Toni Hogan



Beverly Johnson
Sharon Johnson
Doris Jones



Steve Jordan
Barbara King
Pat Koleszar



Getting into the action, Steve Jordan participates in the bonfire before the Southampton football game.

Juniors—What's In Store?

Having entered their third year of high school, the juniors were confronted with the problem of having to take PSAT's. After three hours of filling in all those little tiny dots the juniors were exhausted yet glad to be through with that part of the year.

In the spring, the juniors were subjected to the ever popular SAT's. After finding out their scores some decided to take the test again while those who scored high enough began to think about such things as, what college they would like to attend and what their futures would hold.

Posing with a Rose's model, Tracy Twine, Tracy Rice, Edward Vann, and Pat Koleszar present their views of women in American studies.



Garry Leist
Jackie Lucas
Ronald Maybrey
Nathan Mason
Susan Matroni
Chris Miles



Terry Miller
Janice Mizelle
Annette Moore
Joyce Moore
Randy Morrison
Cynthia Myrick



Martha Newsom
Greg O'Berry
Brenda Ogle
Sherman Outlaw
Gary Parker
Charles Parr



Gina Peduto
Connie Pierce
Ricky Reeves
Tracy Rice
Erwin Ricks
Jack Riddick





Ricky Ritter
Judy Roberts
Lee Sadler
Grace Sibilia
Bonnie Silver
Tony Smallwood



Reginald Soule



Timmy Stacy



Anita Thompson



Faye Tillery
Tracy Twine



Sonya Urquhart
Edward Vann



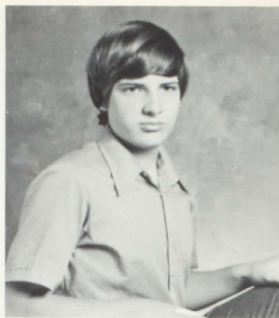
Vacinda Vines
Barry Warren
Mary Williams
Paula Williams



It's About Time!

It finally happened! The class of '78 became SENIORS! Some students did not even mind coming back to school from summer vacation because, at last, they were to be the oldest. No longer did they have to listen to jibes from upperclassmen.

Along with being a senior came certain privileges. Seniors were allowed to "cut" into the lunch line, and also the water fountain line. They were also exempt from final exams if they held a "B" average through the year. However, the most important privilege to many seniors was the auditorium respect they received. Seniors marched into and out of the auditorium to the tune of "Pomp and Circumstance" while underclassmen and teachers stood at attention. Because traditions like these were followed, it was not difficult to understand why many people said, "The Senior year is the best!"



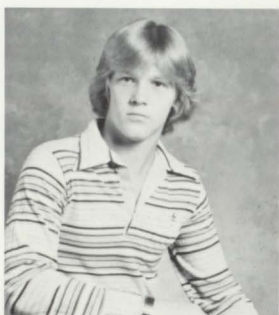
John Kevin Adams
"John"



Sherry Carrie Allen
"Peanut"



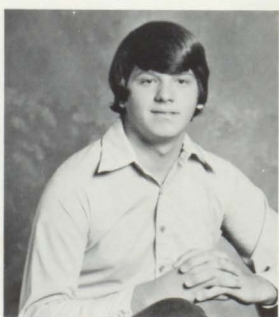
Shelvia Jean Anderson
"Shelvia"



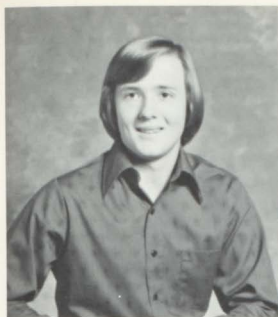
Richard Keith Asbell
"Keith"



Senior Class Officers: Treasurer — Cornelius Scott, President — Pam Baines,
Vice-President — Kenny Miller, and Secretary — Avis Hawkins.



Roy Thomas Austin
"H"



George Ray Bailey
"George"



Jeffrey Alexander Bailey
"Jeff"



Pamela Maureen Bailey
"Pam"



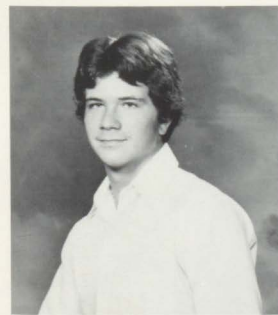
Mark Tracy Baines
"Mark"



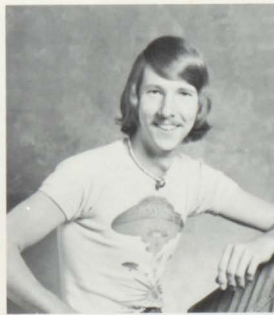
Pamela Leigh Baines
"Ski"



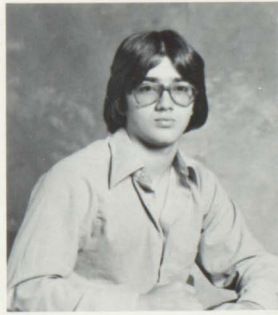
Elizabeth Joyce Barrett
"Stinkweed"



Barry Philip Beck
"Barry"



William Benton
"Bill"



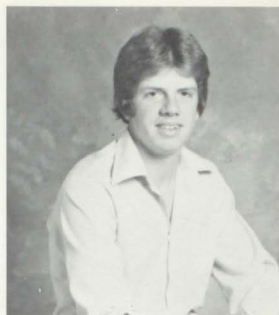
Cornelius O. Blair
"Neil"



Carol Ann Branch
"Carol"



Ann Christian Callis
"Chris"



Frederick Smith Callis
"Rick"



Teresa Renée Carr
"Teri"



Theresa Dawn Casper
"Threasa"



Milton DeRohan Chalkley
"DeRohan"



Venetta Cherry
"Sweet Pea"



Patricia Anne Cleveland
"Pat"



Jerene Coats
"Jerene"



Patsy Arlene Cobb
"Patsy"

SAT's Again!

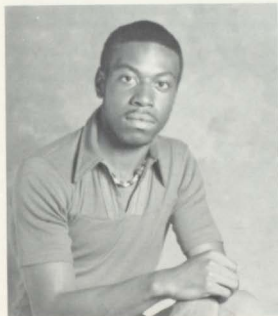
Many of the '78 Seniors were faced with somewhat of a disappointment. The class's SAT scores, as a whole, were not very high. As a result, the seniors trudged back to school November 5 to take them over again. Though they did not want to go through that torture for a second time, college bound seniors knew that it must be done. Some even had to take Achievements. When the ordeal was finally over, a few of the seniors had comments:

"Man, I've never seen so many questions on GRAMMAR in my entire life!"

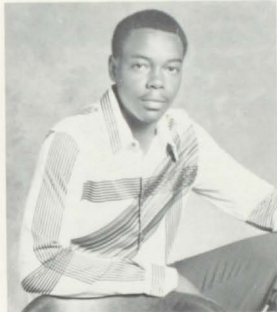
"Well, ya gotta take 'em to go to college, and everybody knows — College is freedom!!"

"If I have to look at one more page of empty blanks, I'll go BONKERS!!"

"Hey everybody, let's go to Hardee's!!"



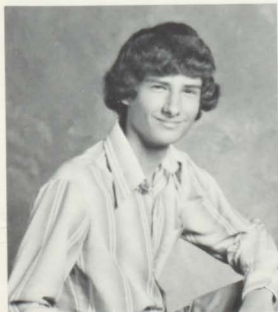
Gerald Copeland
"Sweet Pea"



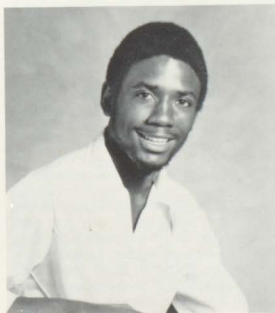
Kent Daniels
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Beverly Denise Davis
"Beverly"



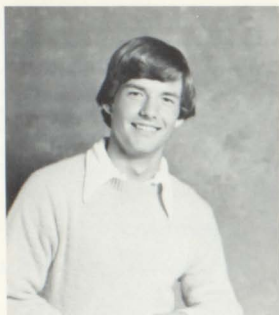
Thomas Melton Davis
"Tommy"



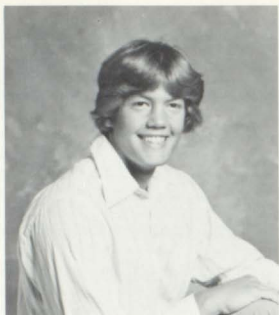
Samuel Lee Dunn
"Brown Bomber"



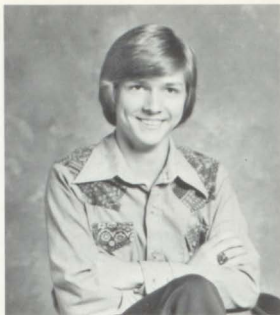
Jape Rawls grimaces with electrical shock during a demonstration of atomic energy.



Bill Farly Eason Jr.
"Rock"



Emil Michael Espinosa
"Emil"



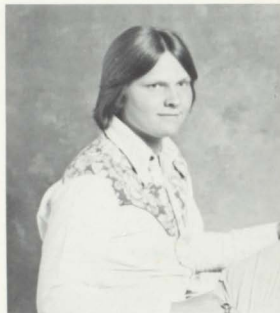
Marvin Lee Fanny Jr.
"Marvin"



Donna Leigh Forsythe
"Donna"



Valerie Goffigan
"Valerie"



James Scott Gomer
"Scott"

Senior Spirit—The Best!

School spirit was really zooming by the time the Raiders were to play Southampton. There were posters, badges, and even a bonfire to raise support for Big Bad Red. Not having defeated Southampton since 1972, the football players were really "psyched-up" for the game. The Raiders badly wanted a victory.

The cheerleaders held a bonfire the night before the big game and got very R-O-W-D-I-E. They even burned a jersey that was to represent a Southampton uniform. Next, there was a chain-link spirit contest where the class with the most links in their chains won. Always true to their school, the Seniors beat the Juniors 276 links to 264. Unfortunately the Raiders lost the game but at least their spirit was a winner!



Robin Germaine Goodman
"Robin"



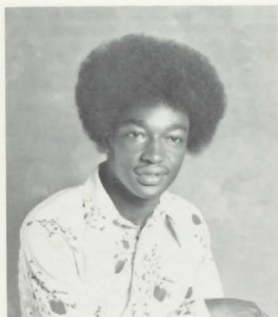
Annette Virginia Goodwyn
"Gail"



Anthony Grant
"Jazzy Grant"



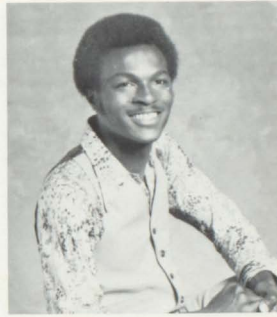
Lucy Marchelle Griffin
"Shelle"



Horace Lydell Hall
"Lydell"



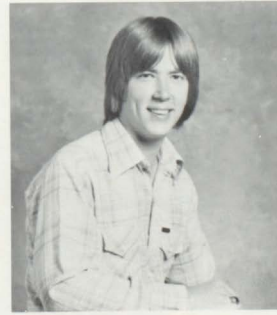
Patricia Hall
"Pat"



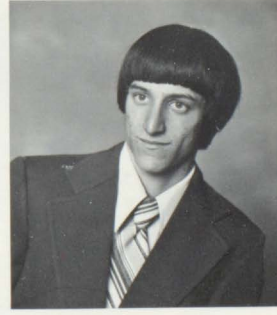
Dwight Harper
"Harp"



Avis Anita Hawkins
"Avis"



Charles Godwin Hearn
"Charles"



Keith Terrell Hedrick
"Terry"



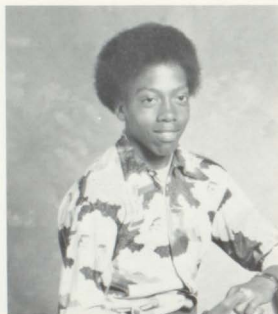
Pam Baines, Renée Trump, Betsy Barrett and Ann Nurney explode with excitement at the bonfire before the Southampton game.



Karen Faye Hinton
"Karen"



Betsy Deborah Holland
"Betsy"



James Hunter
"Decky"



Cheryl Rene Hurley
"Bucky"



Kimberly Ann Johnson
"Kim"



Ruth Elaine Johnson
"Elaine"



Gwendolyn LaVerne Jordan
"Johnnie Bell"



Ellen I. L. Kay
"Ellen"



May I. M. Kay
"May"



Cynthia Renae Kearney
"Cynt"



Charles Herman Killebrew
"Killer"



Mary Althea Kulucas
"Kurucas"



Eunice Langston
"Eunice"



Lois Vann Lawrence
"Lois"

Poll Fever Hits Seniors

Along with school privileges that come with being a senior, many students were given a new privilege. Having reached the coveted age of eighteen, students were allowed to vote in the gubernatorial election for the first time. This task was not to be taken lightly. As any Government teacher would say, "Voting maturely is one of the best signs of an adult."

The candidates for Governor were John Dalton (R) and Henry Howell (D), and even the school got in on the action of elections. The PEANUT PICKER held a mock election in which Dalton defeated Howell by a margin of sixty-six votes. The question arose, "Does this vote indicate who the actual winner will be?" The answer was yes. Dalton won the election by a wide margin. It seemed that perhaps students knew more about politics than people might have thought.

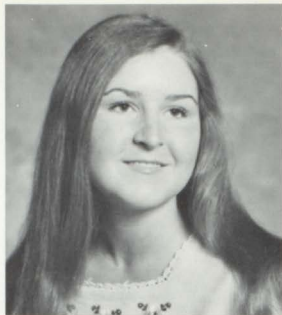
"You Actually Want My Blood?"

One of the responsibilities of being a Senior was doing one's civic duty. "What is a civic duty?" one might ask. Why, giving blood of course. Seniors could be seen trudging voluntarily and bravely (?) to the Bloodmobile at the Suffolk Christian Church to earn one hundred extra points in Mrs. Barnett's Government class. However, every group had its cowards and these are some remarks they made: "What am I doing here?! I can't stand the sight of blood! What if I pass out?!"

"Please, Mrs. Barnett, let me go back to school! I just can't go through with this!"

"Oh no, look at that NEEDLE! OW! I can't watch!"

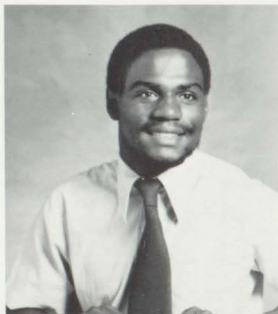
"Hey, ya know, that didn't hurt a bit! When will you be back — two months? — you can count on me; I'll be back!"



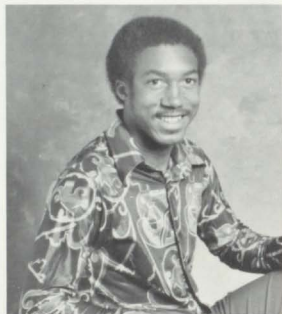
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Charlene Lewis
"Charlene"



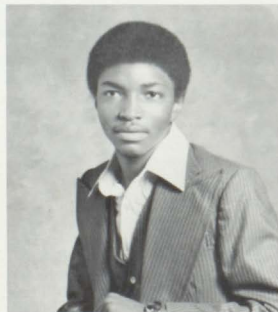
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Eddie Keath Mazell
"Eddie"



Karen Matroni Miller
"Karen"



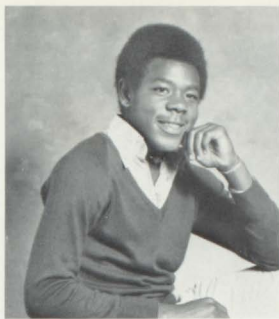
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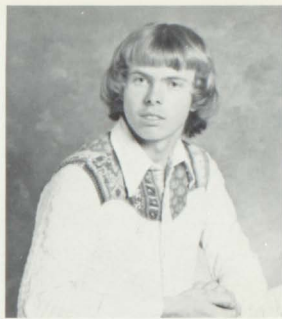
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Monica LaVerne Mitchell
"Vonnie"



William Henry Mitchell
"Pig"



Earl L. Monds Jr.
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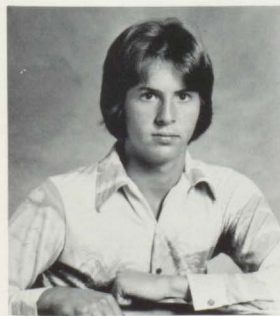
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Leslie Frank Nelms III
"Stilks"



Ann Conklyn Nurney
"Nurneybird"



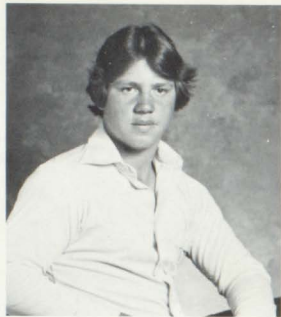
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James Whitney Oliver
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Michael Parks
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Linwood Darnell Parrish
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Leon Navarro Patton
"Butch"



Ashley Randolph Peachy
"Ashley"



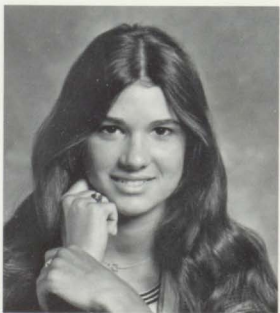
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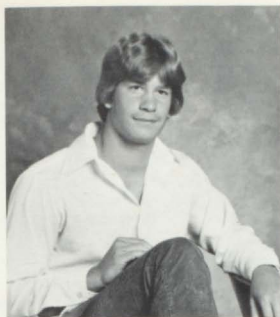
Renee Antoinette Picot
"Picott"



Leon Patton and Dwight Harper agree
their Senior year is the best yet.



Gloria Ann Pitscheneder
"Gloria"



Japheth Edward Rawls III
"Jape"

"The Bridge" Haunts Seniors

Perhaps it started a new tradition, Thursday night, November 3rd, many brave Seniors piled into cars and drove out toward Southampton. They were going to see the legendary "lady in the lake" who was known for haunting passing cars. It was the first time in a long while that approximately thirty Seniors went together on a field trip that was not school oriented. The "lady" gained her fame with Seniors in Mrs. Cones' English class and everyone was determined to see her.

At the "bridge" some were brave, some were cowardly, and some could not decide HOW to be. The "lady" did not appear interested in showing herself that night, but even so, everyone seemed to be having fun.



Dianne Elaine Richards
"Dianne"



Richard Allen Ricks Jr.
"Dwayne"



Virginia Ann Robertson
"Ginny"



Steven Wesley Rogers
"Steve"



Princess Ann Rollack
"Sister"



Rhonda Lynn Salmon
"Rhonda"



Blanche Scott
"Blanche"



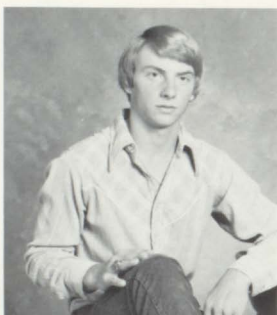
Linda Lloyd Scott
"Linda"



Samuel Lee Sherrod
"Sherrod"



Charlotte Leigh Simpkins
"Charlotte"



Harvey Alexander Smith
"Oscar"



Glen Sherman Spruill
"Flip"

Raiders Reminisce

For many Senior players, the last football game had a strong impact. According to several of them, the last game was both happy and sad. Most said they would not miss getting up at 7:00 a.m. for practice everyday from August 10th until school started again; however they will miss playing those Friday night games. Some even said they would miss listening to Coach Debranski yell at them.

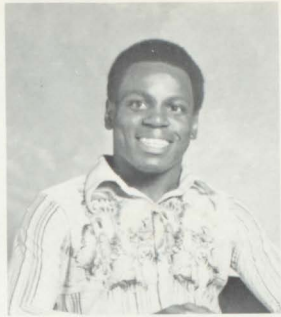
The last few seconds of the final game left many Senior players feeling that the three years of varsity football had sped by. The Seniors were proud to be part of the team whose record was the best of the past three years of their playing. The players were glad they kept with it all three years and some even remarked that they did not even mind those musty locker rooms. Before that last game, as the Seniors put on their pads piece by piece, most conceded that they were happy to have committed three years to being a BIG-RED RAIDER!!



Wendy Barry Strickland
"Wendy"



Mary Elizabeth Taylor
"Mur Lisbeth"



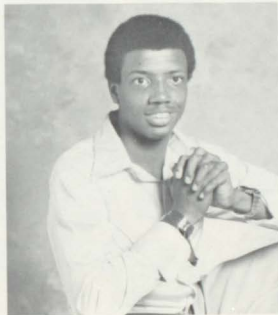
Wayne Thorne
"Wayne"



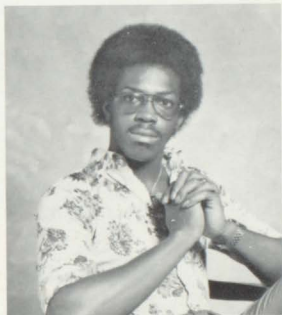
Milton Bernard Tillery
"Milton"



Susan Renee Trump
"Poo"



Xaviel David Urquhart
"Urquhart"



Charles Alexander Walker
"Charles"



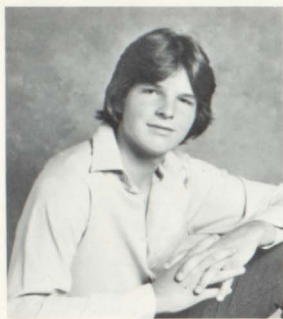
Ann Michelle Ward
"Michelle"



Yolanda Denise Ward
"Niecee"



Jeanette Watkins
"Net"



David Frank Watson
"David"



Sharon West
"Sharon"



LaMarionette Whitehead
"Little Net"



Vivian Louise Williams
"Bip"



Dana Wilson
"Dana"



Valerie Lynette Wright
"Meaney"

What About Tomorrow?

What was in the future for the '78 seniors? During a discussion, seniors expressed plans for college, Air Force careers, Army enlistments, and so on. Some said they would wait a year before entering college and others decided to go straight to work after graduating. Desired careers ranged from being mechanics to lawyers, to surgeons. Of course, not all would reach their goal — perhaps some would change their minds.

When seniors talked about the future, they were compelled to reminisce about the past. Although glad to be graduating, members of the class expressed sorrow that they would see no more pep rallies or Red Raider sports. They did not like the idea of leaving friends they had grown up with, or teachers they could understand. They had no way of knowing what the future held for them — still, they wanted to find out.

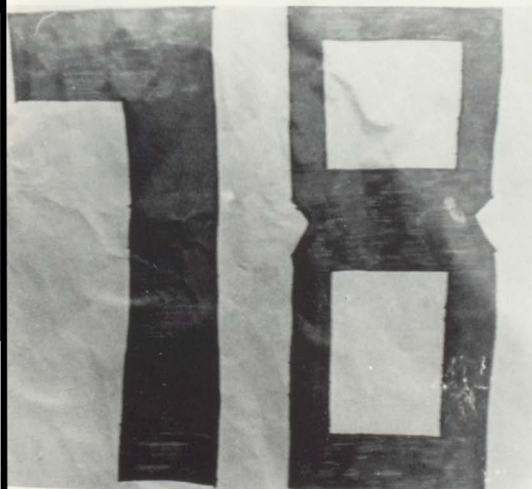


William David Wyatt
"David"



Counting the final seconds of his last game, Rock Eason looks back on a successful football career.

The Seniors won second place in the float competition during Homecoming with "Tigerburger".



In times of excitement we all need some guidance; Mr. Nurney helps his daughter Ann tie her bow.

"We're the best, we are great, we're the class of '78."



Mrs. Joyce Trump: Assistant Principal of Instruction.

Mr. Eugene Davis: Assistant Principal of Administration.

Full Time Pride

The administration worked around the theme of PRIDE throughout the school year. The recognition of student's academic and athletic achievements were among the many appraisals the school received. But this was not the end.

The students took pride in the administration. Several members of the faculty were acknowledged for their achievements. Mrs. Connie Taylor was named Suffolk's Teacher of the Year by the Suffolk School Board. Mrs. Joyce Trump was the recipient of the W. Hill Kilby Memorial Award given by the Nansemond-Suffolk Historical Society. Even though they have fulfilled their professions, they continue striving to better themselves.



Mrs. Anne White: Freshman and Junior Guidance.



Mrs. June Newsome: Office Secretary.



Miss Vivian Payne: Office Secretary.



Mrs. Ira Sullivan: Sophomore and Senior Guidance.

Mr. Jerry Allen: Physical Education; Gymnastics Club; Var. Basketball; Sophomore Advisor.

Mrs. Fran Alwood: Spanish I, II, III, IV; Modern Language Club; Junior Advisor.

Mrs. Beth Barnett: American Studies; Ascent of Man; Government; Senior Advisor.

Mrs. Virginia Beatty: Bookkeeping; General Business; Typing; FBLA; Senior Advisor.

Mr. Walter Biersack: U.S. History; World Civilizations I; Basketball; Golf; Junior Advisor.

Mr. John Boyd: U.S. History; World Civilizations I, II; SCA; Sophomore Advisor.

Miss Virginia Brinkley: English 10; Latin I, II; Modern Language Club.

Mr. Bill Brown: Distributive Education I, II, III; DECA.

Mr. Johnny Burton: IMS; Math Club; Sophomore Advisor.



Even the administration has to keep up with the Fads. Mrs. White discovers the thrills of slime.

A Free Day?

What would happen if one day the teachers awoke to find that they did not have to report to school? After working five days with screaming students and being used to going to work, some teachers had a problem deciding what to do. Some decided to go shopping to spend some of their well earned money. Others wanted to do work which had been neglected because of their teaching careers. They considered cleaning their houses, doing their laundry, or some overdue yard work. Still others wished to enjoy relaxation, such as sleeping all day and spending the rest of their day enjoying a book they could not wait to read.

Taking a break from class, Mr. Brown turns to skateboarding.



Cafeteria Staff: Front row: Daisy Byrum, Mrs. Bailor (Manager), Edna Jenkins. Back row: Beatrice Evans, Earnestine Wood, Rethella Harris, Audrey Askew.



Miss Sally Butler: Algebra I; Geometry; Girl's Tennis; Freshman Advisor.

Mr. Don Carlson: Algebra I, II; IMS; Gymnastics Club; Freshman Advisor.

Mrs. Claire Cason: Math Aid.



Mrs. Joan Cones: English 11, 12; Thespian Society; Junior Advisor.

Mrs. Barbara Darden: Steno I, II; FBLA; Sophomore Advisor.

Mr. Leroy Griffin: Industrial Arts; Mechanical Drawing; Industrial Arts Club; VICA; Var. Football.



Mrs. Chris Hamlet: Creative Writing; French I, II; Modern Language Club; The Peanut.

Mrs. Mary Hodge: Nurse; Nurses Aids Club.

Mrs. Nan Howard: Art I, II, III; Arts and Crafts Club; Senior Advisor.

Mr. Frazier's Philosophy

Superintendent of Schools Forrest Frazier explained his philosophies on education to the staff at an end-of-semester faculty meeting. These ideas were developed through years of high school experience. Mr. Frazier remarked, "It may have holes in it," and then proceeded to share his opinions.

Mr. Frazier feels that school faculties and staffs need to communicate and work together. Also, a successful teacher knows his subject matter and is able to motivate students. If a teacher is well prepared and loves students, most of them will be motivated to achieve.

Concerning classroom standards, the superintendent believes that they should be set and explained to students. This standard, if attained, would be graded a C, above this B, or A. In all classroom activities, goals and reasons must be given for doing all assignments. There should be a policy on test giving, established by communication throughout the faculty.

Students deserve to know an evaluation of their progress, by means of a conference with the teacher, before the report card is received. No one gets an A until he has earned it; however, in a general education class, if

he has put forth his best effort he should be given a D. In an academic class, if he does not meet the standards, he should fail. Homework deserves an explanation of purpose when assigned; it is not to be mere busy work.

Mr. Frazier recommended that an employer of a high school graduate look at the graduate's transcript to see the type of program the student has taken, and to base his decision of hiring upon this record.

Several teachers, when asked their opinions of Mr. Frazier's philosophy, were found to have contrasting viewpoints. Mrs. Beth Barnett felt that would be an insult to the high school to expect the employer to review the records of a student to see why that student was awarded a diploma. She felt that a school system should have pride in its program, reflected by only awarding diplomas to an academically deserving student. Anything less would be an insult to the school system and to the community that will have to employ these individuals. Mrs. Fran Alwood, however, felt that it would be good for an employer to review the applicant's school record, allowing him to obtain extra background information which may be vital to his final decision of hiring.

Mrs. JoAnn Hunter: Advanced Composition; American Studies; Thespian Society.

Mrs. Lenora Jones: Choral.

Miss Anna Koontz: Librarian; Audio-Visual Club.

Mrs. Carolyn Lackey: Ascent of Man; Biology; Green Thumbs Club; Sophomore Advisor.

Mr. Don Langdon: Advanced Math; Algebra I; Ascent of Man; Physics; Chess Club; Junior Advisor.

Mrs. Joyce Mauck: Chemistry; Earth Science; Hi-Y.

Mr. Bruce McCutcheon: Physical Education; Gymnastics Club; Var. Football.

Mrs. Beverly Parker: Math Aid.

Miss Nancy Richey: Physical Education; Gymnastics Club; Sophomore Advisor.





Mr. George Sakell: Biology; Earth Science; Science Club; Freshman Advisor.

Mrs. Jackie Scott: English 9; Speech and Drama; Thespian Society; Junior Advisor.

Mr. Martin Smith: Band; General Music; Jazz Band.



Mrs. Connie Taylor: Home Economics; Family Living; FHA.

Miss Gail Valentine: General Business; Typing; FBIA; Freshman Advisor.

Miss Mattie Vann: English 10, 12; Tri-Hi-Y; Senior Advisor.



Mr. Bill Varga: World Civilizations I; World Cultures I, II; J.V. Football; Boy's Tennis; Basketball Club; Freshman Advisor.

Mrs. Anna Wall: Creative Writing; English 9, 12; Tri-Hi-Y; "Peanut Picker"; Sophomore Advisor.

Mrs. Jeanett Wilkerson: Special Education; Arts and Crafts Club; Freshman Advisor.



Mrs. Lucille Williams: English 9, 10, 11; Tri-Hi-Y; Freshman Advisor.

Mrs. Joyce Wilson: Government; World Civilizations II; Arts and Crafts; Senior Advisor.



Mr. Forrest L. Frazier: Superintendent of Suffolk City Schools.





WHAT WE DID

What "we" did? We enjoyed the 55 minute activity period because all were able to escape from class work. The visiting bands had the auditorium swaying with their music. We saw a variety of plays that were put on by the students. Many of the programs at Suffolk High School helped bring excitement to the student body. Here is what "we" did.

Members of the Advanced Composition class have a tug-of-war with Pat Koleszar's head in their production of "Gammer Gurton's Needle".

Don Perry, lead singer for Earth Opera, thrills the student body with one of his original compositions as Gene Angel backs him up.



Take 55

What a break! Something to anticipate the first Wednesday of the month. A chance to accomplish something beyond roll call and previous minutes.

Having the extra time to participate in club activities put a spark of life into the club scene. Club members generally agreed that the 55 minutes once a month was well used. This length allowed more goals to be met and more exciting presentations, such as flower arranging and a fishing equipment demonstra-

tion. The time even allowed for short, in-city field trips like the Nurses' Aide's tour of the hospital. Students who did not participate in a club were assigned to study halls where they enjoyed the extra 55 minutes study time.

Club sponsors held varied opinions of the 55-minute activity period. Some enjoyed the extended time when club members helped plan for the period. Others viewed the 55-minutes as just another class to plan for, resulting in more work. Club sponsors

did feel that clubs offered a chance to get to know individual students. Members have a chance to get to know fellow students in a freer, less restrictive atmosphere than that of the classroom.

The worth of the club was realized. Job opportunities were found in Nurses' Aides; hidden talents were uncovered in the Thespian and Gymnastic Clubs. Fun and experience were gained that 55 minutes wherever anyone was.

TAKE 55



Green Thumbs: Front Row: Mrs. Parker — Sponsor, Kathy Richards, Wanda Brown. Second Row: Betty Willis, Theresa Richards, Hazel Wilson, Sharon Hall, Loraine James.

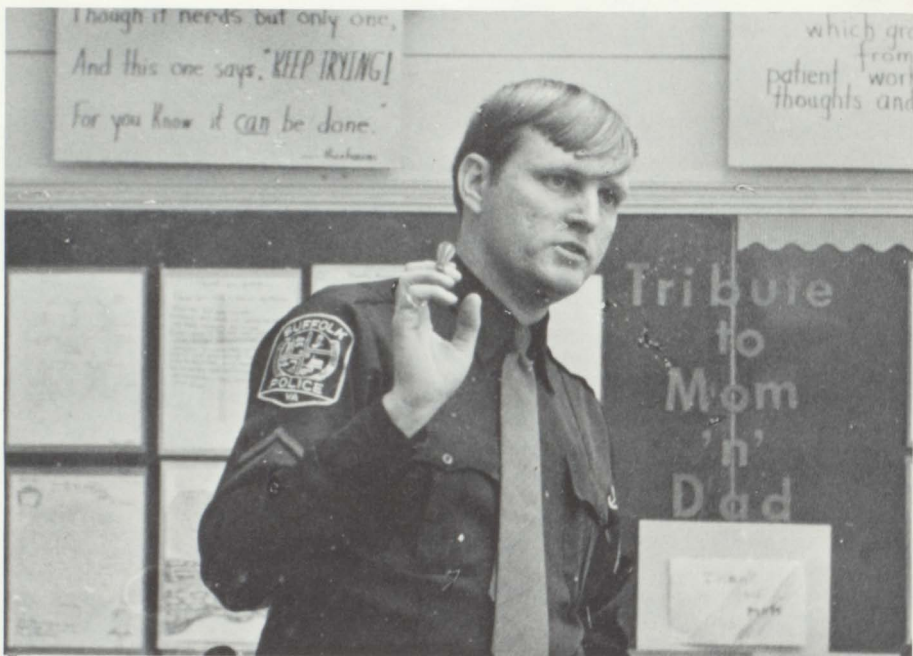


Basketball Club: Front Row: John Barnes, Eric Hayes, Clinton Cobb, James Hunter, Randy Newsome. Back Row: Terry Barnes, Charlie Wilson, Samuel Sherrod, Steve Rogers, Kenneth Hart, Mr. Varga — Sponsor.



Arts and Crafts: Front Row: Susan Dillard, Catherine Harris, Toni Bradshaw. Second Row: Betty Brown, Charles Brown. Back Row: Judy Ellis, Theresa Babb, Fran Byrd, Richard Brock, Donald Burgess.

Stage, Sound and Lighting: Front Row: Miss Koontz — Sponsor, Bryan Bayens, Tommy Johnson, Donna Smith, Clark Stevens, Ken DeJarnette, Randy Newsome. Second Row: Teresa Casper, Chris Chappell, Keith Phelps, Thomas Bradshaw, Scott Mills, Bob Chapman. Back Row: Jack Riddick, Jim Ward, Edward Adams, Keith Chavis, Trent Harrell, Lee Trump.



Is Anyone Really Listening?

Listening? Are you kidding? How can anyone help but listen when there's authoritative voice behind a police uniform explaining the use of different baits? And how can anyone help but be attentive when cascades of colored paper and scissors are carefully arranged for the creating of tissue paper flowers? And how can anyone help but be interested in making youngsters gleam at special candy-filled stockings for them while in the hospital?

Clubs have been pouring it on as far as making meetings exciting, interesting, and rewarding. Beneficial demonstrations in the Hunting and Fishing Club included tips on seasons, licenses, and baits by local game activists. Reels and rods were fired down the abandoned halls to practice proper casting techniques with interested members. The members of Tri-Hi-Y kept busy by planning for various activities that would improve the community and enrich the inhabitants. The Hi-Y-er's lent a helping hand to

children in the hospital and students at Idlewood Schools.

On a normal club day, anyone can saunter down the halls and see strange things. Dirt and filth become part of the costume as student actors literally sweep the floors as characters in a drama for the Thespian Society. Members come up beaming as they twirl and twist on mats and bars in the Gymnastic Club. The repetitious "checkmate!" is familiar to wanderers near the Chess Club room. All Hear!

TAKE 55



VICA: Front Row: LaTonya Brown — Historian, Cynthia Kearney — Secretary, Avis Hawkins — Treasurer, Ricky Barnes — Vice Pres. Second Row: Jackie Lucas, Paul Gomer, Kenny Miller — President, Milton Tillery, Dwight Harper. Third Row: Jackie Walker, Jeanette Watkins, Joyce Moore, Pam Bailey. Back Row: Richard Brock, Prescott Sherrod, Anthony Grant, Jeff Bailey.



FBLA: Front Row: Richard Ricks, Karen Hinton, Rose Harris, Linwood Parrish — Vice Pres., Denise Ward — Secretary, Marchelle Griffen — President. Second Row: Xaviel Urquhart, Deborah Artis, Kimberly Artis, Tammy Coker, Freida Daughtrey. Back Row: Princess Rollack, Sharon Hinton, Jackie Wilson.



DECA: Front Row: Toni Hogan, Sharon Burgess, Ginny Robertson — President, Clayton James. Second Row: Fred Zimmerman, John Peace, Lee Sadler, Ricky Barnes, Cindy Hogan. Third Row: Bill Benton, Dennis Bradshaw, David Chavis, Scott Gomer. Back Row: Leslie Nelms, James Madrey, Tommy Austin — Vice-Pres.



Without Refs or Rules

Have you ever wondered what the smell of grease, syrup, birdseed, rice, and eggs would be like when mixed together? Just ask any member of the Interact or Key Club. The members of these clubs believe that you've got to pay your dues to be a member and initiations are just their way of doing that.

Mullets, the perspective members of the Key Club, were gathered at school one night. They were put into the back of a pick-up truck, where they

could not utter a word. When the unknown destination was reached, they were removed from the truck and attacked with old smelly eggs, peanut butter and jelly, and motor oil. Then the "Mullets" wallowed in mud when they were told to do "hit its."

On a cold wintry night in September, the new members of the Interact Club were rustled into the back of a truck, blindfolded, where they were scourged with rubber hoses. The new members were then taken to an area farm, where they were thrown into a

pit. While in the pit, they were bombarded with eggs. To cleanse their bodies from the aroma of the mixture of ingredients, they were later put into the freezing depths of a lake. Having gone through all this the new members were official Interact Club members.

All in all, the nights on which the Key Club and Interact Club held their initiation ceremonies, will always be a night of remembrance to the ones involved.

TAKE 55



Modern Language Club: Front Row: Mary Williams — Corresponding Secretary, Marvin Fanny — Secretary, Paula Simpkins — Vice Pres., George Bailey — President, Ellen Kay — Treasurer. Second Row: Evelyn Evans, May Kay, Nancy Baines, Rhonda Salmon, Mrs. Alwood — Sponsor, Linda Ryder. Back Row: Theresa Darden, Jane Bangley, Mary Barnes, Nancye Byrd, Glen Bell, Toni Smallwood, Tae Gil, Marcus Daughtrey, Charles Killebrew.



Thespians: Front Row: Barbara Cathey, Pat Kolescar — Vice-Pres., Pam Baines — Treasurer, Benita Rountree. Second Row: Betty Moree, Meri Grady, Robin Stolley, Sharon Johnson, Shelia Simpson, Audrey Richardson, Toni Stewart, Nita Fanny, Suzanne Lilley. Back Row: Renee Trump, Janet Britt, Kay Ivey, Edward Vann, Dabney Carr, Tracy Twine, Jimmy Daughtrey, Margaret Cornett, Susan Nurney, Martha Newsom.



Nurse's Aides: Seated: Laura Newman, Mrs. Hodge — Sponsor, Diane Acey, Robin Moore. Standing: Susan Matroni, Terri Powell, April King, Vacinda Vines, Blanche Scott, Lola Goodman, Eunice Jones, Florence Jones, JoAnn Engle.

FHA: Front Row: Linda Langston, Cindy King, Joanne Tilery, Shelia Ruffin, Faye Covington. Second Row: Alverta Baton, Debra Clemons, Francis White, Linda Francis, Beverly Coats, Jackie Scott. Third Row: Debra Hanshaw, Robin Goodman. Fourth Row: Monica Mitchell, Glenda Langston, LaMarinette Whitehead, Carrie Mitchell, Debra Kerson, Mary Brock, Darlene Stephens. Back Row: Betsy



Holland, Jenny Wooten, Joyce Cherry, Venetta Cherry, Amie Artis, Faye Gambrell, Tracy Smallwood, Mrs. Taylor — Sponsor.

Preparing information for their Homemakers Award are Cindy King, Faye Covington and Betsy Holland.



It Wasn't All Cookies

Cooking. Sewing. Sure, they were a part of the Future Homemakers of America, but there is much more. The Future Homemakers helped and grew through lectures by various guests, projects of individual members, and experiences shared by everyone.

Jobs. Interviews. These were part of the Future Homemakers of America, too. Sandra Alston, personnel director at Leggett, lectured to the members on the essentials of a good employee as well as the characteristics of good pros-

pects. These hints helped many members who were not planning on becoming "domestic engineers" or starting families anytime in the near future.

Projects. Services. These were a part of the Future Homemakers of America, too. Each member was requested to do an activity involving birth defects, their traumatic impacts on affected lives, and new hopes arising to improve the outlook of the handicapped. Concerning these projects, Faye Covington assisted with the Special Education classes at Thomas Jefferson and Betty Holland

sacrificed her study period to help in a special class offered for children with hearing impediments at the nearby Jefferson. Other projects included posters and explanations of other handicaps. Alma Lambdon of the March of Dimes came during one club meetings to encourage ideas for these projects.

When asked what made the club work, Mrs. Taylor said, "Every member participated and I think that's something good!"

TAKE 55

Honor Society: Front Row: Margaret Cornett — Secretary, Edward Vann — Vice Pres., Renee Trump — President, Denise Allison — Treasurer. Second Row: Vivian Williams, May Kay, Carol Branch, Mary Williams, Martha Newson, Wendy Strickland, Elaine Johnson, Lucy Peachy, Lois Lawrence, Connie Pierce, Susan Matroni, Susan Dillard. Back Row: Pete Leggett, Beth Daughtrey, Marvin Fanny, Tracy Twine, Glen Bell, Tim Stacey, Robert Babb, Jimmy Daughtrey, DeRohan Chalkly, Greg O'Berry, Kimberly Allen.



Interact: Front Row: Martin Richardson, Bob Chapman — President, Scott Nash — Sergeant-at-Arms, Steve Beck, Edward Higinbotham. Second Row: Lee Trump, Scott Mills — Secretary-Treasurer, Dudley Watson, Tony Dunlow.

Hi-Y: Front Row: Linda Scott — Secretary-Treasurer, Pete Leggett — Vice Pres., Mary Kulucas — President, Michelle Ward — Chaplain. Second Row: Mary Taylor, Terry Hedrick, Gloria Pitcheneder, Charlotte Simpkins, Mrs. Mauck — Sponsor. Back Row: Chris Callis, Lucy Peachy, Elaine Johnson, Wendy Strickland, Ashley Peachy.



Key Club: Front Row: George Bailey — President, Tommy Austin — Vice Pres., Tommie Salmon — Secretary, Walt Ward — Treasurer. Second Row: Ken DeJarnette, Brian Wyatt, Bruce Kinsey, Chris Chappell, Tommy Davis, Terry Hedrick, Rick Beale, Whit Oliver, Howard Gray, Tadpole Wilson. Back Row: Reggie Soule, Steve Stevens, David Wyatt, David Espinosa, Fred Pantan, Barry Beck, John Stevens, Joey Cisco, Bryan Bayens, Ricky Barnes.

Dancing is a great way to pass idle time, and many students like to dance away their Saturday nights in the old gym.



The Money Hassle Hustle

Finding ways to get money has always been a major concern for the high school student. The money scene was just as vital to clubs and organizations. Of course, there were the conventional bake sales and the old raffle ticket trick, but the dance proved to be the most profitable fund raising project that the clubs undertook. Thanks to the popularity of the weekend dance, no one had to bite nails and twiddle thumbs trying to create a revenue source for

their club. Jamming boogies really banked those bills. They proved to be a quick way to support club needs and goals.

Fund-raising dances caused an epidemic of boogied fever. One might say, "Is it live or is it Memorex?" Well, disco was considered close enough for the wiggling weekend worshippers. Students gained varied rewards from dancing to the local D.J., Paul Hall Jr. Discoers had somewhere to go and put their new steps into gear.

The dance was looked on as a

chance to throw off the confinement of a desk, relieve those unstretched muscles, and raise the voice above the whisper of gossip in English class.

Teachers enjoyed watching blandness turn into frenetic boogie, but showed little interest in getting down to the beat themselves. However, dances were the way to get the green. Whether boogieing to the beat, observing the scene, or reaping the profit. Dance, Dance, meant Money, Money.

TAKE 55



Math Club: Front Row: Vivian Williams, Louis Albertson, Wanda Simmons, Faye Parker. Second Row: Wayne Sadler, Anitta Goodwin, Brenda Barnes, Steve Jordan, Shirley Bennett, Sylvia Lundy, Dorothy Dunn, Mr. Burton. Back Row: Betty Darden, Brenda Artis, Kim Davis, Edward Costley, Ervin Ricks, Vivian Artis, Della Barnes, Donna Lassiter.

Hunting and Fishing: Front Row: Randy Smith, David Forsythe, Martin Runyon, Tommy Runyon, Barry Dillard. Back Row: Wayne Boswell, Paul Saunders.



Chess Club: Front Row: Lee Sadler, Bobby Fowler, Frank Parr, Eddie Belcher, Neil Blair, David Gardner. Second Row: Mr. Langdon — Sponsor, DeRohan Chalkley, Boyd Hogan, Lee Jones, James Almond, Emil Espinosa, Whit Oliver. Back Row: Barry Beck, David Wyatt, John Stevens, Jape Rauls, John Adams, Keith Asbell, Steve Stevens, Reggie Soule, Scott Nash, David Espinosa.



Gymnastic Club: Front Row: Linwood Black, Garnez Outlaw, Lori Davis, Donald Davis, Michael Chalk, Marcus Ballard, Sandra Gay, Daphne Lawrence, LeNae Wheeler, David Urquhart, Tyrone Burks, Terri Miller. Second Row: Keith White, Joyce Boykins, Sonya Urquhart, Gia Ur-

quhart, Gail Turner, Shella Parker, Rhonda Hite, Renee Eure, Sandy Beach, Jennie Alwood, Wanda Casper, Donna Justice, Patsy Cobb. Third Row: Dale Barnes, Curtis Williams, Keith Hart, Harold Green, James Staple, Michael Boone, David Beamon, Glen Spruill, Lloyd Hunter, Charles Wilson,

William Turner. Back Row: Michael Humphrey, Danny Council, Ernest Edwards, James Wheeler, Miles Cross, Arthur Thomas, Alonza Harris, Edward Askew, Larry Brown, Edward Williams, Clinton Turner.

Faye Covington, substituting for Leon Patton informs the S.C.A. members of the Dance-A-Thon for Muscular Dystrophy.



Top Right: Members of the SCA and Mr. Davis listen closely to the question and answers concerning the Dance-A-Thon.

Right: Mr. Davis watches as Leon Patton makes change for Diane Acey at the SCA Candy Apple and Pizza booth during the Spring Fair.



Taking a quick break, Leon Patton, S.C.A. President, enjoys the sunshine for a few minutes.



Take A Memo



To: Homeroom Teachers and Students
From: Secretary of SCA

The meeting was called to order by the president, Leon Patton. The main topic was the Homecoming-dance and parade. The dance will be held at BRC, but it will be a sock-hop because of the condition of the floors. The DJ will be Paul Hall.

A major point of discussion was the communication problem within the school. A Student Advisory Committee was formed with six SCA members and six other students.

Next it was moved and properly seconded that the SCA should give a \$200 scholarship to an outstanding senior member of the SCA.

Faye Covington read a letter concerning a Dance-A-Thon with the SCA's of the four other schools and RTR ready to sponsor it to raise money for Muscular Dystrophy. It will be held at the Army in May.

Next the Sadie Hawkins was discussed. Since no band could be found, it was decided to have a sock hop with a DJ on April 8.



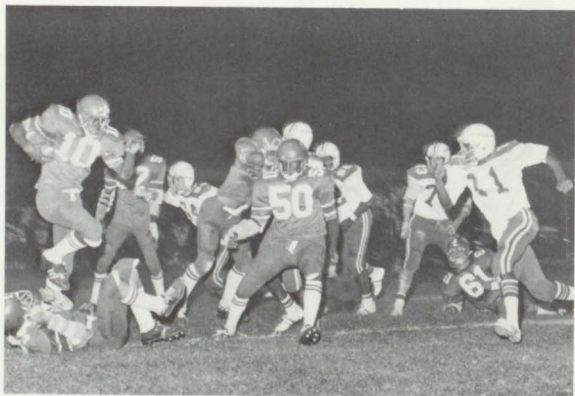
SCA: Front Row: Tracy Smallwood, Faye Covington — Vice Pres., Leon Patton — President, Bob Chapman — Treasurer, Susan Dillard — Secretary, Robin Goodman. Second Row: Annette Christian, Diane Hassell, Diane Acey, Pam Bailey, Sharon Jones, Charlene Banks, Cynthia Kearney. Third Row: Cornelius Scott, Rhonda Hite, Victor Griffen, Renee Trump, Deborah Artis, Dabney Carr.



Time runs out! Red Raiders win the homecoming game against Central 26-0!

Denise Ward, escorted by Richard Ricks was crowned Peanut Bowl Queen by her cousin, Aubrey Mitchell.

Raider Ed Costley trudges forward for a few extra yards.





A Week Of Winning

Place: Peanut Park

Date: November 7, 1977

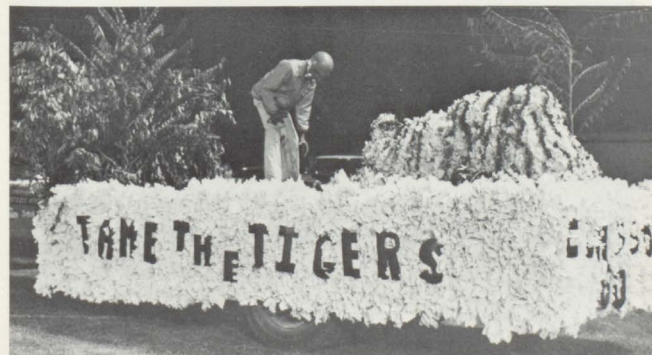
Scene: . . . Mass confusion and total excitement. The week of constant preparation was beginning to come to a close. The four class floats rolled onto the field as anticipation filled the air. A sudden burst from the loudspeaker announced that the sophomore float, "Cage the Tigers," had captured first place. Sandwiched in between rows of blue-jeans, were the high fashion figures of the Homecoming court awaiting their cue to parade onto the field. Once they had taken their positions, the stadium became silent. Again, the loud-speaker roared that Denise Ward was the 1977-78 Peanut Bowl Queen. To complete the night of winning, the mighty Raiders rolled onto a 26-0 win over the Central Tigers. To celebrate the huddle of victories, the S.C.A. sponsored a Homecoming Sock-Hop the following night.



Homecoming Court: Front: Robin Goodman, Denise Ward, Amy Mills, Gloria Pittscheneder. Back: Ann Nurney, Pam Bailey, Kay Funkhouser, Pam Baines.

Underclassmen Attendants: Front: Beverly Coats, Diane Acey, Regina Goffigan, Rosemary Hazelette. Back: LaTonya Brown, Pat Koleszar.

The Sophomore class's Tame the Tigers won first place recognition in the float competition.



Senior Powder Puff Team: Front Row: Pam Bailey, Jeanette Watkins, Pat Cleveland, Cynthia Kearney. Second Row: Evelyn Evans, Amy Mills, Mary E. Taylor, Marchelle Griffin, Coach Pernell Williams. Third Row: Beverly Davis, Monica Mitchell, Mary Kulucas, Sharon Hinton. Back Row: Betsy Barrett, Avis Hawkins.



Junior Cheerleaders: Front Row: Coach Ann Nurney. Second Row: Edwin Williams, Scott Nash, Ed Costley, Chris Miles, Robert Babb. Back Row: Lloyd Askew, Ronald Mabrey.



Junior Powder Puff Team: Front Row: Margaret Cornett, Lisa Barnes. Second Row: Sharon Johnson, Toni Bradshaw, Vacinda Vines, Rose Harris, Gina Peduto. Back Row: Grace Sibilla, Bonnie Silver, Sonya Uguhart, Diane Hassell, Joyce Moore, Janice Mazell, Cynthia Myrick.

Beverly Davis runs behind her line-woman Betsy Barrett for extra yardage.





Coach Rock Eason shouts instructions to his senior team.

Many Junior boys spent several nights perfecting their cheering style.



Senior Cheerleaders: Front Row: Leon Patton, Coach Ann Nurney, Charlie Wilson. Back Row: Wayne Thorne, Tommy Austin, Cornelius Scott, James Hunter.

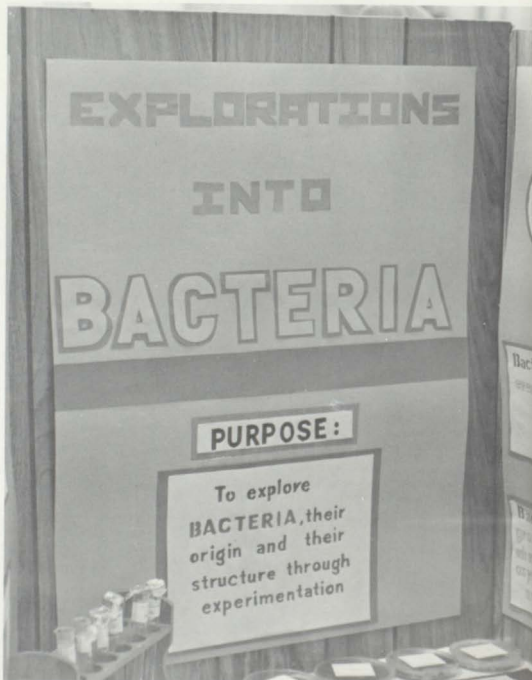
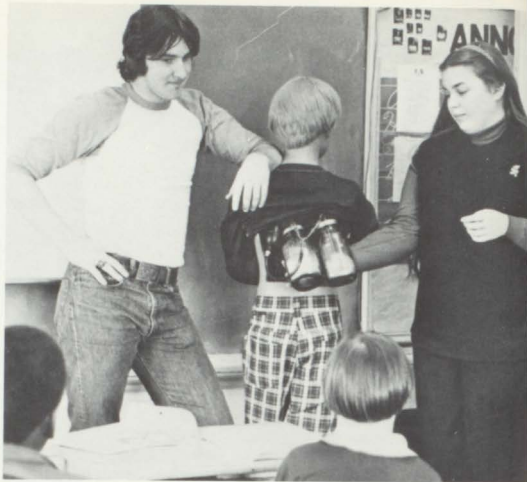
Gentle Jocks

For the first time in the history of Suffolk High, the roles were reversed. One Friday night, there was a football game with one very minor switch. The girls played and the boys cheered. For two weeks, Junior and Senior girls spent their afternoons at the ball-park practicing. The day of the big game, the guys showed the student body what they had been practicing for two weeks—a pep rally. At the game, the players felt very much at

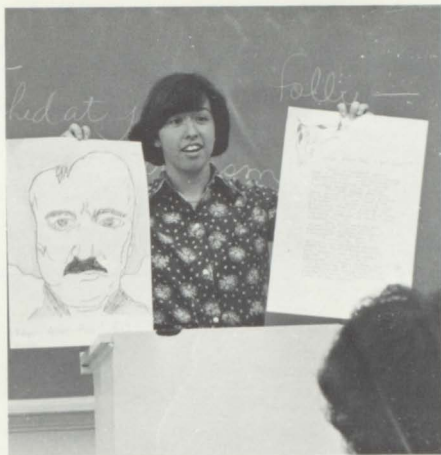
ease and at half time, the Juniors were ahead 6-0. During intermission, Wayne Thorne was crowned Powder Puff King and rode around the field on Rick Callis' motorcycle. The teams came out ready to play in the second half. The Seniors fought back and tied the score at 6-6. Everyone felt that was how it should end since it was all in good fun to start with. Maybe the class of '78 started a new tradition.

The Youth Board of the Virginia Lung Association gives smoking teach-ins to the fifth graders at Thomas Jefferson elementary school.

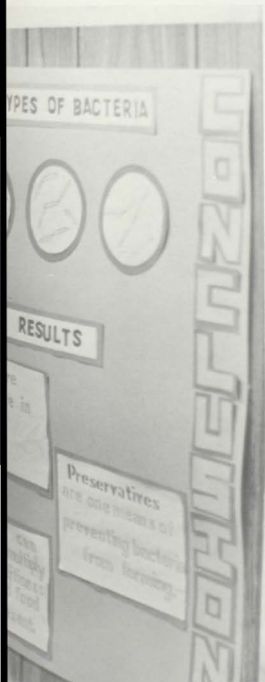
Gia Urquhart tells her French II class about Mardi Gras customs.



Nita Fanny's experiment won "best in show" at the school science fair.



Jenny Wooten shares her English report on Edgar Allan Poe with the class.



How Do Teachers Spell Relief? ISP (Individual Student Projects)

First, many hours are spent in the library, second, the report is written, third, the projects are presented to the class. This is when the teachers take a rest from their usual lectures and daily routines. They must enjoy having the students teach for awhile. The student presenting the project learns how frustrating it can be to stand in front of fellow students and be ignored.

It should never be said that

students are lazy. Students rarely have an idle moment with all the time that goes into the preparation of a presentation. In most classes, there is some type of project to be presented. History reports, English projects, French presentations and Science experiments are all a personal projects that give the teacher a chance to relax and realize what the students have learned. SRP—means a day of rest for the teachers.

Out of the Old Routine

It was nice to break away from the old routine. Being free of teachers' lectures and the monotonous ways of the everyday classroom was a welcome relief to students. We had the pleasure of receiving visits from people of all walks of life—from a Methodist minister to an opera singer, to an army recruiter, even a poet, Mrs. Johnston. She entertained most of the student body with her unusual mannerisms and ways of composing poetry.

There is no better way to learn than from people who really know

their stuff. But, even though teachers know how to teach, it is easier to learn when there is a new face to study or a new voice to hear. How convenient—learning the easy way!

Unfortunately, not all guest speakers were appointed for fun. Yes, NOTES. "Take out a sheet of paper," or "You'd better take notes, we're having a test on this tomorrow."

As long as guest speakers keep speaking, we'll keep listening—and taking notes. A slight break in the old routine is a consolation.



Carlos Serrano, an Affiliate Artist with the Virginia Opera Association serenades Amy Howerton and Lisa White with his rich and powerful baritone voice.



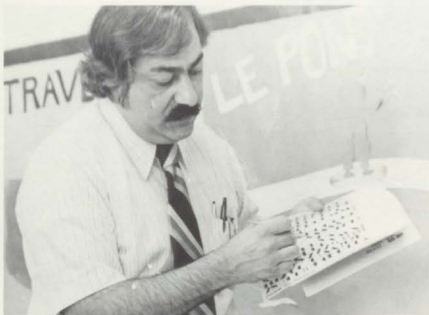
With the use of her dramatic expressions, Mrs. Johnston, a poet from North Carolina, tries to persuade students that poetry can be fun.



Sergeant Garland, an army recruiter, talks about military careers.



Reverend Taylor of the Oxford Methodist Church addresses the student body during the initiation of the Honor Society.



Mr. Dowaliby from the Henry Eagleton company informs the Journalism classes about lettering.



Dr. Ryder visits the World Culture classes and speaks to them about Africa.



Howard W. Baeumler, a professor of mathematical and computing sciences at O.D.U., speaks to Mr. Langdon's physics class.

While in Colonial Williamsburg with the American Studies Class, Edward Vann takes notice of a tombstone outside of Bruton Parish Church.

Ricky Barnes and students from other schools observe the greenhouse at Pruden Vocational Technical Center during Vocational Week.



All Roads Lead To Learning

First-hand knowledge is always the best way to learn; there's no better way to get first hand knowledge than to go to the person or place that has it. That's what almost every class did numerous times this year.

"It was a nice educational trip", said Milton Tillery about a field trip to Paul D. Camp Community College taken by some Industrial Arts students. During this field trip, the students learned about tuition and finance and visited different departments of the college, such as electronics, welding, electricity, mechanical drawing and math. But, just like most of the field trips, it wasn't all education. After the visit to the occupational center, they stopped at McDonalds to recollect the day's adventures.

Several other interesting field trips were taken. Earth Science

classes took a trip to Old Dominion University to study meteorology. Dr. Smith, a professor at the University, spoke to the students about certain devices used to predict the weather and other things associated with meteorology. The Williamsburg trip, an annual fling taken by the American Studies class, proved to be a great learning experience also. The students made visits to different craft shops and historical buildings where craftsmen or guides talked to them about colonial traditions, customs, and everyday life. Numerous other trips were taken; approximately twenty-five. Quite a large amount for a school of less than six hundred students.

"All roads lead to learning" really rang true as students learned through field trips certain aspects of education.



After viewing a musical production, "Berlin to Broadway," Renee Trump, Mary Kulucas, and Ann Nurney take a lunch break in Richmond.

Peanut Picker Staff: Front Row: Connie Pierce, Grace Sibilia. Second Row: Chris Callis — Layout Editor, Mary E. Taylor — Art Editor, Pete Leggett, Betsy Barrett — Editor-in-Chief, Denise Allison, Pat Grady, Susan Matroni, Mrs. Wall — Sponsor, Third Row: Karen Hinton, Keith Asbell — Sports Editor, Jack Riddick, Charles Hearn, Dennis Bradshaw, Victor Griffin, Sharon Hinton.



Annette Christian, Reggie Soule, Jeanette Watkins, Kenny Miller, Kimberly Allen and Betsy Holland, Members of the Student Advisory Committee discuss issues affecting student life.



Mark Schleifstein of the Virginian-Pilot shows the different types and uses of headline type to the journalism class.



Mrs. Wall sponsors THE PEANUT PICKER.

Kenny Miller and Betsy Holland, Co-Chairmen of the Student Advisory Committee, explain to students what the Student Advisory Committee is.



Groups Gather Goods

The problem was communication, and student awareness. The solution was the newspaper and the Student Advisory Committee.

The communicating problem has always been a great concern among our students and faculty. The newspaper staff and their work on the *Peanut Picker* opened doors to better communication. News involving students' activities, achievements, and creativity helped others understand the whole school population. Coverage and opinions on a variety of topics interested students who were weak in their awareness of the complete scene of the action and excitement.

The Student Advisory Committee allowed, for the first time, formal student input on the solving of the school's many problems. Student-teacher relations were discussed and many improvements and future plans resulted from this participation. Teachers began to inform students of failure on their interim reports. Plans for next year included a tutoring staff of academic teachers, along with Honor Society Members, to aid those participating in athletics. This will be an effort to keep athletes from having to quit teams due to their low grades. This committee, as well as the *Peanut Picker* staff, really boosted awareness and communication within the school.

The Teachers' Advisory Committee also held a major part in improving communication within the school system. A representative from each school met with the superintendent every month to try to solve the many problems that teachers and students face. This committee shortened the channels to communication.



Members of the Teachers' Advisory Committee, Miss Vann, Mrs. Taylor, and Miss Howard, wait for Mrs. Bailey before they start their meeting.

Is There Anything Worse Than DEADLINES

The week prior to a deadline was full of mass confusion and helpless cries from the annual staff members.

"Where is that picture of the football team?"

"I can't think of a caption!"

"Where are the picture tabs?"

"My copy is too long, it won't fit!"

"Are you sure all this has to go in on this deadline? Can't we send it in later? They won't charge us, will they?"

"HELP"

That word, deadline, was one that members of the annual staff dreaded. As the

deadline neared, the editors could be seen running around in circles, wishing they could just forget everything. The junior members of the staff were in a constant state of confusion, not knowing what to do or not trusting their own decisions without the editor's approval.

After working many afternoons after class, the deadline was finally met.

Everyone thought that they would now have a rest, only to confront the reality that the next deadline was in 4 weeks and 40 pages were due. "Lord help us!"



Above: Renee Trump, Picture Editor, makes a photo assignment sheet for photographers.

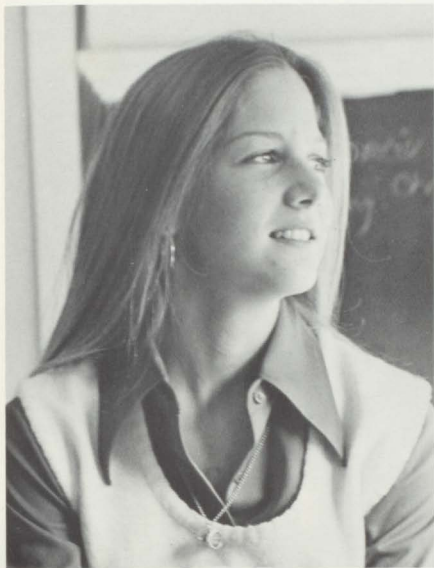


Above Right: Business Manager, Pam Baines and Sports Editor, Rock Eason, check the figures in the balance book.

Counting is essential in producing an annual. Margaret Cornett counts pics while Martha Newsom counts characters.



Top Left and Top Right: Co-Editors-in-Chief, Ann Nurney and Renee Picot take a break from working on the annual.



Above: LaTonya Brown discusses her ideas for her layout with the *Peanut* sponsor, Mrs. Hamlet.



Peanut Staff: Front Row: Mrs. Hamlet — Sponsor, Pam Baines — Business Mgr., Ann Nurney and Renee Picot — Co-Editor-in-Chief, Renee Trump — Picture Editor, Rock Eason — Sports Editor. Second Row: Toni Bradshaw, Margaret Cornett, Sharon Johnson, Martha Newsom, Beth Daughtrey, Pat Koleszar, Tracy Twine, LaTonya Brown. Back Row: Reggie Soule, Cornelius Scott, Guy Bridges, Glen Bell.

The Beat of a Different Drum

"Who's that new man with the band?" The "new" man was the band director, Mr. Martin Smith. He was new around school and it took a while before everyone knew exactly who he was.

Mr. Smith and the band members had to adjust to each other, but that didn't seem to take very long. All year, Mr. Smith had some sort of activity up his sleeve. During marching season, the band performed routines at half-time during the home football games. They also represented Suffolk High in various parades, both in and out of town. When concert season rolled around, the band presented concerts and travelled to Indian River High School for the band festival. Under the guidance of Mr. Smith, the band did a great job of giving the student body something to be proud of. Overall it was a successful first year for Mr. Smith and his crew of musicians.

Members of the band demonstrate the concentration needed for band as they practice at the ballpark for their trip to the Vinton Dogwood Festival.



Band members: Front Row: Rose Harris, Marilita Reid, Barbara King, Tracy Smallwood, Terri Powell. Second Row: Thomas Bradshaw, Joey Cisco, Jane Bangley, Tommie Salmon, Bernard Mitchell, Gary Parker, Diane Hassell, Thelma Miller, Lisa Morrison, Harvey Smith. Third Row: Jackie Wilson, Dudley Watson, Tommy Davis, Charles Hearn, Fred Pantan, Belva Boone, Stephanie White, Natalie Harris, Ray Fenwick. Fourth Row: Howard Gray, Chris Chappell, Tommy Johnson, Leon Patton, Annette Christian, Barbara Cathey, Sharlene Johnson, Denise Ward. Back Row: Robin Stolley, Scott Mills, Jimmy Daughtrey, Nathan Mason, Annette Faucett, Cathey Richards, Mona Lisa White, Sharon Jones.



The band waits for its cue to enter the field for the half-time show.



With a blow of his whistle, Mr. Smith calls the band to attention.



Drum major, Harvey Smith, takes a moment from his duties to see what the problem is with Gary Parker's glove.



Band members squeeze in a few extra minutes of practice, waiting for the judges at the District Band Festival at Indian River High School.

Male Vocals The Best

Chorus: Front Row: Mary Britt, Marlita Reid, Joanna Engle, Shirley Bennett, Jorene Coats, Jeanette Watkins, Sherry Allen, Regina Goffigan. Second Row: Bernard Miles, Evelyn Evans, Beverly Davis, Monica Mitchell, Patricia Hunter, Job Wilson, Annette Goodwyn, Ann Shepard, Vivian Artis. Back Row: Charles Brown, Xaviel Urquhart, David Wilson, Lloyd Askew, Kenneth Miller, George Reid, Dwight Harper, Edwin Williams, Wayne Thorne, Wilbur Stevenson.



The jazzband helps stir up spirit at the powder puff football game.



Living up her music class, Mrs. Jones accompanies children's music with Maracas.

Representing Suffolk High in the Regional Chorus at Western Branch High School are Charles Brown, Dwight Harper, David Urquhart, and Kenny Miller.



"The best thing in the world!"—that's what Charles Brown thought of the Regional Chorus. He looked upon participation in the chorus as an experience that was beneficial and quite enjoyable. The Regional Chorus was held at Western Branch High School and lasted for two days. Kenny Miller, Dwight Harper, David Urquhart, and Charles Brown were sent from Suffolk. The choir consisted of the best vocalists in the area who tried out and were then selected. From the Regional Chorus, Kenny Miller, who had one of the higher Regional Chorus try-out scores, was selected to go to the state Chorus held in Waynesboro, Virginia. Not only did these boys represent the school well, but they also took their voices to the community to help liven it up and to make it a more enjoyable place to live.



Jazzmen: Front Row: Tommy Davis, Harvey Smith, Gary Parker, Fred Panton, Bernard Mitchell. Second Row: Bruce Kinsey, Natalie Harris, Lisa Morrison, Diane Hassell, Tony Dunlow, Belva Boone, Ray Fenwick, Tommie Salmon, Joey Cisco, Howard Gray.

A Fair Way to Spend A Fair Day



To advertise for "The Wizard of Oz", Lisa Morrison, Rhonda Hite and Tracy Rice don their costumes to entertain all at the Spring Fair.



This young girl isn't like the rest; she's not frightened by the goblins in the haunted house.



The Third Annual Spring Fair proved to be a combination of excitement and new experiences for those that came, as well as profit for many organizations within the school. Excitement and enjoyment could be sensed around the crowds participating in the array of games recreation, such as dart-throwing, ring-tossing, and a tractor-pulled hayride for the youngsters. New experiences resulted from daring to try a taco, strolling through a Hawaiian-style plant shop, or studying student art. Renovative ideas struck many who purchased odds and ends at the flea market; intellectual notions caroused through the heads of those who took an interest in the book sale. The Spring Fair revealed a deep concern by parents, students, and teachers which led to cooperation among those participating. All in all, April 15th proved to be a very fair day.



Toni Stewart goes out on a ledge to persuade fair goers to spend money upstairs at the cake walk.



At the parent sponsored flea market, Mrs. Lillian Koleszar assists kids in their selection of bargain priced toys.

For only a quarter, René Picot gets three strikes at the teacher of her choice at the car bash.



Renee Trump and Pam Baines find sundresses perfect for those not-so-cool September days.

For the casual look, Kenny Miller pairs the fish-net shirt with high-waisted pants.



Comfortableness Counts

"What shall I wear to school tomorrow?"

This might have been the question on many students' minds as fashion became an important aspect in their everyday life. But whatever style of fashion was chosen by the students, it evolved around the comfortable look.

For the girls, the loose fitting blouson was a favorite with full and flowing peasant skirts. Bass shoes, clogs, and argyle knee socks were coordinated with gauchos and kilts. For those dressy occasions, some chose to wear spiked heels and hose with seams, along with wrapped shawls and tams.

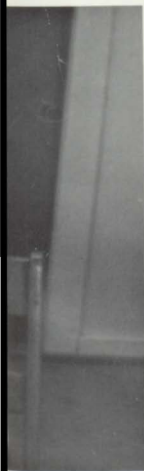
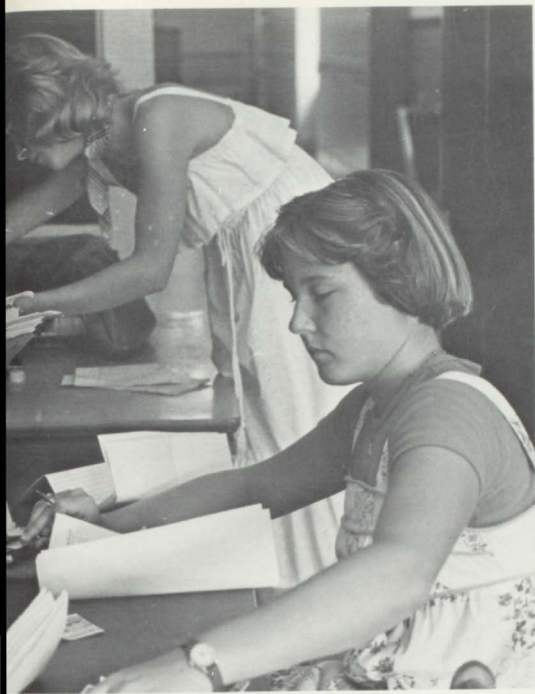
The guys chose khakipants and button down shirts for the comfortable look. They not only wore Levi jeans and shirts, but Levi shoes as well. When a dressy occasion arrived for the guys, they chose three-piece suits to wear.

For warmth, both guys and girls chose ski jackets and vests in bright colored combinations. Coordinated accessories added pizzaz to outfits. Girls carried canvas totes with slogans on the side. Stick pins became a favorite on sweaters and cowl-necks, while initials appeared on earrings and necklaces. Hairstyles became important to the girls, but also to the guys. These well liked fads, and a few self-made creations, kept students and teachers up with the world of fashions.

One must be fashionable from head to toe! Here, the unknown feet model the ever-popular Bass shoes.

For comfort, Martha Newsom chooses a button-down blouse.

Even teachers keep up with the times! Mrs. Taylor stays comfortable, but fashionable, in her cowl-neck sweater.



Movie:

Which Way Is Up

Heroes

Saturday Night Fever

Star Wars

Television:

Three's Company

Soap

Baby I'm Back

Singles:

Parliament

Flashlight

BeeGee's

Staying Alive



Lucy Peachy listens to one of the many new sound tracks that hit the charts.

Susie Darden, Brenda Barnes, and Donna Lassiter discuss soap operas.



Susan Nurney watches the family television instead of doing homework.

TV Movie:

Mahogany

Having Babies

Magazine:

Sports Illustrated

Ebony

Album:

Earth, Wind, and Fire

All in All

Kansas

Point of Know Return



The popularity of "Star Wars" shows with Sharon Johnson wearing this t-shirt.

Favorites Fever

Expressions of "Wow, did you see that movie? It was great!" and "I love their new album release!" were heard up and down the halls, whispered in typing class, and discussed over lunch. The year was full of new sights and sounds. As a result of an opinion poll taken by a cross-section of the school, students got a chance to say which activities they enjoyed the most and what they liked in acting and music. In television entertainment, light comedy shows rated the highest. During the school term, the theatre turned out super movies involving everything from dancing to outer space and music echoed sounds of disco and progressive rock. The trusty radio was tuned to WOWI, WNOR, or WQRK while students toiled over their nightly assignments or worked on long-term projects. Black culture fads could be found in a favorite magazine, *Ebony*. Sport buffs enjoyed magazines such as *Sports Illustrated*. Updated media, which included television, movies, etc., held the attention of all who gave enough to get involved.

Major Oil Spill Threat in Bay
Dalton Spells Out College Stand
Polanski Flees to Avoid Sentences
Northeast Digs Out With Help
Yankees Win Series Behind Reggie
Vepco Asks Rate Increase
Dalton Takes Landslide Victory
Energy, SS, Abortion Face Congress
Four-High School Plan Adopted By Board
Carter Focuses on TV to improve Image
Fear of Radioactive Debris
Downtown Undergoing Transformation
Horse Bets Win Major House Vote
Israel and Egypt Discussing Peace
Oil Refinery Gets Another Shot
ERA Death Declared By Va. Vote
6-Inch Snowfall Ties Up Tidewater
\$2.1 Million Spent in Race for Governor
Time and Spinks Dethrone Ali
Patience and Gunfire Ended Hijack

After much controversy, Suffolk high school remains a senior high.

Close Encounters of The Zoning Kind

Rezoning—dividing into new areas (according to characteristics) for the purpose of restricting residents to specific schools in order to improve the educational system. The rezoning dilemma struck students city-wide. The School Board put out a full-pledged effort to replace dilapidated schools and mainly to secure a racial balance of 60 blacks to 40 whites throughout the school system.

"Why can't they just keep it the way it is?"

"I don't think races make the school—it's the way you act, the way you learn."

"It seems the whole thing has turned into a racial issue instead of an improvement in education."

A disputed point in the plans was to use John F. Kennedy High School as an intermediate school and to leave the other three high schools as they were. Frantic outcries of protest were voiced by Kennedy students; thus, an alternate plan called for Suffolk High to be the intermediate school.

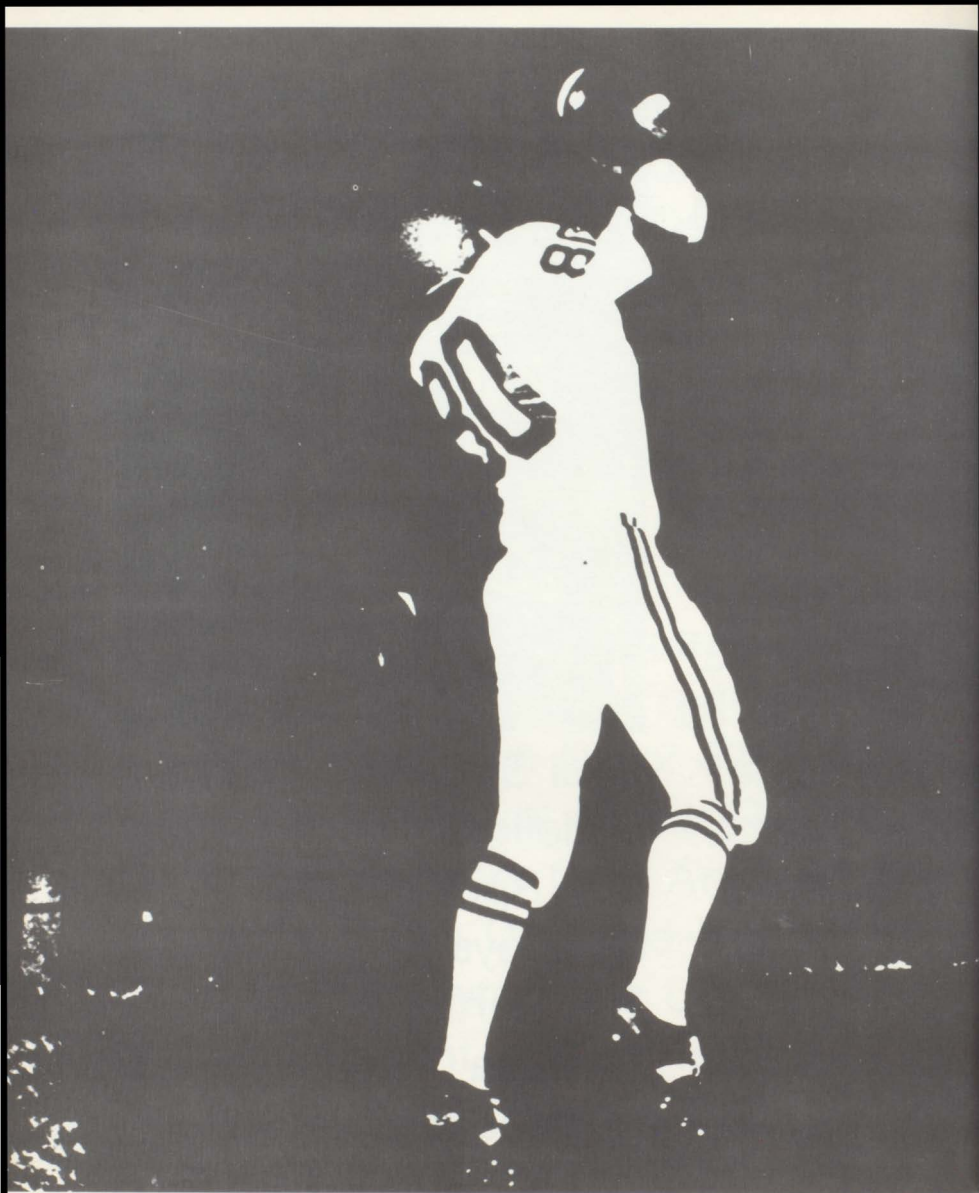
"We hold a traditional pride in our school and we don't want to change tradition."

"I don't want to go to any other school!"
"I wish they would hurry up and get it over with."

The final decision of the School Board was to leave the area high schools as they were, to stop operating outdated archaic buildings, build three new elementary schools, and set up new zones for all schools providing a racial distribution equivalent to the city's population.



Coal Strike: 111 Days
Suffolk Grows and Grows
Sun Spot Strikes
Cowboys Crush Broncos
Taft-Hartley Act at Work
Panama Treaty Okayed
Red Measles in Suffolk . . .





HOW WE DID

How "we" did? We gave our best effort to represent our school in sports. At the pep rallies, the lively cheerleaders tried to transfer their spirit to the students. Class competition brought forth the pride everyone had for their school. Now, here is how "we" did.

Anthony Grant pulls down a touch-down.

J.V. Football Season: 4-0-2

SHS	7	John Yeates	7
SHS	16	Kennedy	6
SHS	20	Forest Glen	8
SHS	22	Kennedy	0
SHS	14	John Yeates	14
SHS	30	Forest Glen	0

J.V. Basketball Season: 2-6-0

SHS	58	Forest Glen	80
SHS	33	Central	86
SHS	57	Windsor	48
SHS	64	Central	63
SHS	41	Southampton	68
SHS	53	John Yeates	68
SHS	44	Smithfield	65
SHS	50	Kennedy	68

Varsity Football Season: 5-5-0

SHS	14	Franklin	44
SHS	12	Kennedy	10
SHS	7	Gloucester	0
SHS	13	Northampton	16
SHS	20	John Yeates	23
SHS	26	Central	0
SHS	18	Forest Glen	12
SHS	15	Smithfield	17
SHS	0	Southampton	50
SHS	38	Windsor	0

Boys Baseball Season: 1-10-1

SHS	0	Pembroke	4
SHS	1	Smithfield	7
SHS	10	Franklin	1
SHS	0	Kennedy	3
SHS	0	John Yeates	10
SHS	1	Northampton	13
SHS	0	Smithfield	2
SHS	0	Windsor	14
SHS	4	Southampton	14
SHS	0	Central	16
SHS	2	Windsor	2
SHS	1	Forest Glen	7

Varsity Basketball Season: 1-17-0

SHS	57	Northampton	82
SHS	53	Kennedy	51
SHS	52	Franklin	59
SHS	58	Forest Glen	72
SHS	56	Central	69
SHS	60	John Yeates	70
SHS	59	Windsor	64
SHS	53	Southampton	58
SHS	53	Smithfield	79
SHS	55	Northampton	57
SHS	42	Kennedy	45
SHS	59	Franklin	68
SHS	52	Forest Glen	62
SHS	63	Windsor	65
SHS	58	Central	60
SHS	49	Southampton	58
SHS	46	John Yeates	47
SHS	64	Smithfield	67

Girls Softball Season: 3-6

SHS	6	Franklin	22
SHS	12	Kennedy	6

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Girls Basketball Season: 7-2-0

SHS 67	Windsor	38
SHS 44	Central	56
SHS 53	Northampton	24
SHS 47	Kennedy	28
SHS 61	Yeates	29
SHS 51	Franklin	54
SHS 48	Forest Glen	47
SHS 60	Smithfield	41
SHS 43	Southampton	39

Boys Tennis

Season: 2-4-0

SHS 1	Lafayette	8
SHS 1	Churchland	8
SHS 3	NSA	6
SHS 7	Kennedy	2
SHS 9	Northampton	0
SHS 4	Franklin	5

Girls Tennis

Season: 8-4-0

SHS 8	Franklin	1
SHS 7	Kennedy	2
SHS 9	Southampton	0
SHS 5	NSA	4
SHS 8	Southampton	8
SHS 4	Norfolk Academy	4
SHS 9	Forest Glen	0
SHS 2	Warwick	7
SHS 4	Franklin	5
SHS 1	Norfolk Academy	8
SHS 8	Kennedy	1
SHS 6	NSA	3

Boys Track

John Yeates	62½
Suffolk	54½
Forest Glen	42
Central	116
Suffolk	28
Windsor	16
Franklin	0
Northampton	91½
Suffolk	31½
Southampton	25
Windsor	11

Golf Season: 0-6

SHS 0	York	4
SHS 0	Northampton	3
SHS 0	Lasker, N.C.	4
SHS 0	Forest Glen	4
SHS 0	Forest Glen	4
SHS 0	Forest Glen	3

SHS 21	John Yeates	4
SHS 4	Northampton	20
SHS 7	Smithfield	12
SHS 8	Southampton	10
SHS 17	Windsor	9
SHS 2	Central	17
SHS 12	Forest Glen	13

Spirit — An Unexpected Phenomenon

What boosted the spirit among the students? Was it the pep rallies, the new uniforms, or the new cheers? It was all these and the students. The students made the cheerleaders a success. At pep rallies, instead of sitting and watching the cheerleaders, the students yelled, "Our team is red hot!", and spirit was aroused. Also the J.V.'s joined the pep rallies; and the noise was doubled.

The cheerleaders worked hard to boost the spirit. They started practice an entire month before school, everyday for a couple of hours. They practiced a variety of cheers, jumps, and stunts.

Besides baking cakes, painting signs, planning pep rallies, the cheerleaders had time to cheer their Raiders on.

"Finally a STRAIGHT line!" It took a lot of hard work and many hours of practice to perfect the welcome cheer.

Varsity Squad: Front Row: Co-captain Ann Nurney, Pat Koleszar, Co-Captain Marchelle Griffin. Second Row: Gwen Jackson, Karen Miller, Pam Baines. Third Row: Robin Goodman, Renee Trump, Betsy Barrett, Tracy Rice, Jackie Harper. Top: Teri Carr.





Junior Varsity Squad: Front Row: Arinetta Vines, Rosemary Hazelette, Toni Stewart. Back Row: Sharon Jones, Dabney Carr, Rhonda Hite, Susan Nurney, Kay Ivey.

Through rain, sleet and dark of night — the cheerleaders finish out the game. Through freezing weather and odorous wool uniforms, they never tarried from the game.



Marchelle Griffin, Robin Goodman and Betsy Barrett discuss the format of the pep rally.



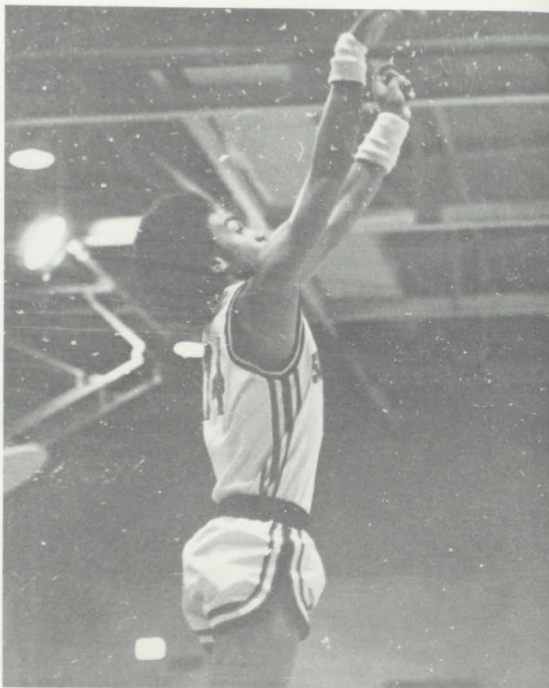
Junior Varsity cheerleaders cheer their team to a city championship despite hot weather and lack of fan support.

Spirit Is The Key

When looking at the records of the Junior Varsity teams, it would seem that the football and basketball teams came out on opposite ends of the stick. While the football team was streaking to its first undefeated season ever, the basketball team was stumbling to a 3-15 season.

By displaying a spirit that totally out-classed all other teams in the city, the Junior Varsity Raiders rolled over every opponent they faced in route to a 4-0-3 season. Barring two ties with John Yeates, there was no other team that put them to a serious test. The highlight of the season was a season—ending 30-0 demolition of Forest Glen.

Then, the roundballers, the Junior Varsity basketball team, faced more of a problem than the football team did. First, they brought in a new coach, Michael Davis from Booker T.; and second, they were left with only three returnees. Even against such terrific odds, they came out and put forth their best effort every game. The highlights of the basketball season were victories over cross-town rivals, Forest Glen and John Yeates.



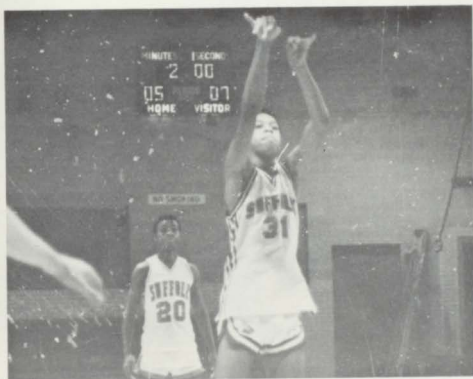
J.V. Football Team: Front Row: Adrian Skinner, Clinton Turner, Michael Ricks, Roy Owen, Edward Higinbotham, Coach Biersack. Second Row: Kevvin Edwards, Glen Outlaw, Elliott Calvie, Richard Parker, Bryan Bayens, Eric Hayes. Third Row: Ronald Arrington, David Gardner, Richard Brock, Chris Chappell, Boyd Hogan, Joe Wilson. Fourth Row: Bernard Miles, Marcus Ballard, Willis Haskins. Back Row: Coach Varga, Thomas Chapman, Timmy Chapman, William Turner, Jerry Wilson.





Ronald Arrington adds two points to Suffolk's tally in a 30-0 win over Forest Glen.

Coach Davis gives his team last minute instructions before battling with Smithfield.



Clyde Lundy lays in a free throw late in the first quarter against Smithfield.

J.V. Tri-Captains: Thomas Chapman, Adrian Skinner, Clinton Turner.



J.V. Basketball Team: Front Row: Vernon White, Richard Silver, Randy Newsome, Arthur Barrett, Keith Phelps, Johnny Ray Barnes. Back Row: Keith White, Prescott Sherrod, Kim Davis, Clyde Lundy, Adrian Skinner, Dwayne Calvie, Dale Barnes, Coach Davis.

The season is over. But the memories will linger in the minds of the players for a long time to come. It started slowly with a loss to Franklin. Spirit rose for the game with the arch rival John F. Kennedy. The fans went wild when the Raiders won, 12-10. Raiders were ready for the homecoming game with Central. The Raiders went on to a great victory of 26-0. Emotions and spirit rose for the biggest game of the season with Southampton. Cheerleaders planned a special week to pep up the guys. The student body wore red and white one day, they left up signs all week, a special bonfire the night before the game and a spirit chain contest. The VICA club sponsored a bus to Southampton and the stands were full. The Raiders came out of the locker room through a tunnel of fans. Many senior players were excited over the season. For the first time in their career, the Raiders won a homecoming game. Above all, the Seniors had the best season in their career.

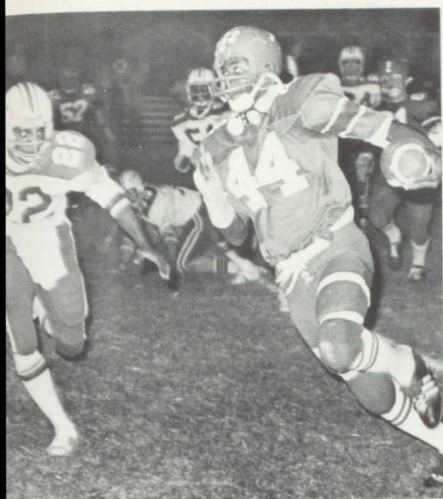
Drilling off more yardage, Keith Asbell runs toward a much needed touchdown in the Southampton game.

Brilliant Ending



Varsity Football: Front Row: Kenny Miller, Rock Eason. Second Row: Keith Asbell, Mike Parks, Keith White, Emil Espinosa, Pernell Williams, Eddie Mazell, Leon Patton, Jape Rawls, Charles Killebrew. Third Row: William Mitchell, Richard Ricks, Ed Costley, Leslie Welch, Bobby Collins, Jack Riddick, Ronald Mabrey, Ervin Ricks, Bennie Beamon. Fourth Row: Reggie Soule, Scott Mills, Johnny Stevens, Bob Chapman, Martin Richardson, Gerald Copeland, Billy Cones, David Forsythe. Fifth Row: Dwight Harper — mgr., Mike Williams, Steve Beck, Edwin Williams, Steve Jordan, Chris Miles, Robert Jernigan, George Reid — Mgr. Sixth Row: Mgrs. — Curtis Williams, Terry Throne, Bernard Miles, Samuel Dunn, James Hunter, Wayne Williams.





Steve Jordan breaks away from his defender to get into the clear during the homecoming game.

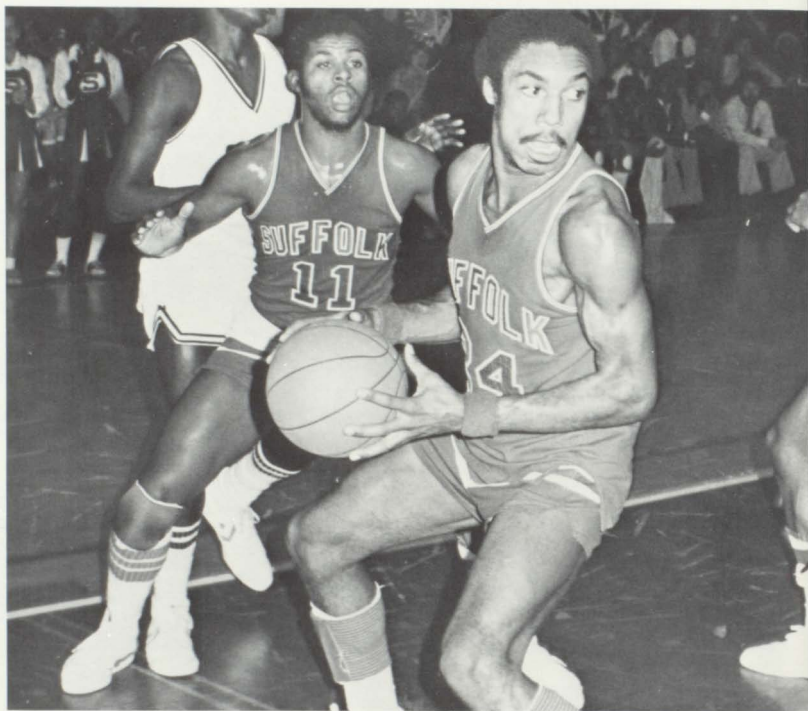
Coaches: Leroy Griffin — assistant, Jerry Allen — assistant, Mike Debranski — head coach, Walter Biersack — assistant. Missing from picture: Bruce McCutcheon — assistant.



Ed Costley and Coach Mike Debranski discuss crucial plan changes during the Kennedy game.

Captains: Kenny Miller, Rock Eason.

Catch the Action A Good Attitude



Eddie Mazell looks for an opening as Steve Jordan creates a block on Forest Glen's player.

Eddie Mazell dribbles with deep concentration to effectively escape the hands of the Windsor players.

With out stretched arms, Eddie Mazell competes for possession of the basketball.



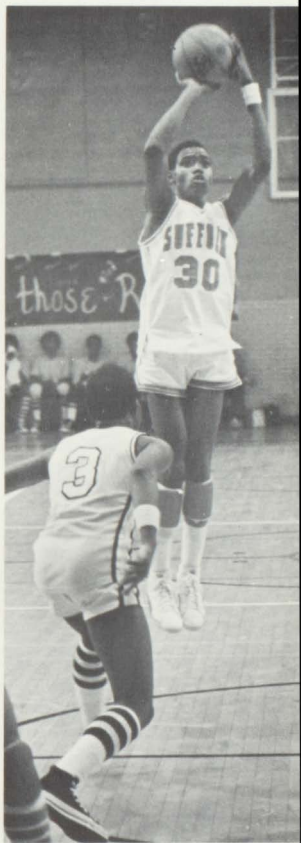


A block, a skillful layup, and superb shots from the outer courts were made by the varsity basketball team. Some fans wondered why the basketball team won one game out of eighteen. Although the team worked hard and long throughout the season, there was still a "lack of experience" in Coach Allen's view. Eleven games were lost by five points or less because of the lack of experience. The players only had from November to February to practice, which they did with a dedicated effort. However, time was not the only problem incurred. The lack of eligibility due to grades left the team weakened. After the first semester, the basketball team played a game of musical chairs. They gained one player who had not been eligible during the first semester, but lost some of the top scorers who had become ineligible. Also, the support at the games was small. Many found other things to do on Tuesday and Friday nights. The team only had the cheerleaders and a small amount of students behind them. However, eligibility and lack of support did not hinder their attitude. Coach Allen said, "One of the few good points of the season was everyone showed a lot of character and didn't give up." Any team can win a game by scoring the most points, but the true game is played by the attitude of the players. A good attitude is what made the team a winner and that is what the team had.



Larry Gambrell dashes for a layup making two points as Kennedy's players look in helpless amazement.

Front Row: Wayne Williams — manager, Anthony Grant, William Mitchell, Kenny Miller, Sherman Outlaw, James Brock, George Reid — manager. Back Row: Coach Jerry Allen, Larry Gambrell, Chris Miles, Eddie Mazell, Ed Costley, Tom Golden, Bobby Collins, Dwight Harper — manager.



Kennedy's defensive man starts to make his defensive maneuver as James Brock makes an excellent shot.

Raiderettes: the Good and Very Little Bad

Preseason practices were long and strenuous, but well worth the effort, as shown by the dynamic outcome of the season. The team had their work cut out for them and they knew it. Enthusiasm never died, even though the team experienced a few pitfalls. In the second game of the season, the team was defeated by Central with a 44-56 loss. This minor setback seemed to give the Raiderettes the will to go on and stomp Northampton with a 53-24 victory. Things were looking good until the long-awaited Franklin game. Tension was rising as Beverly Davis scored 10 out of the 23 points in the first half; however, Suffolk fell to Franklin. The Raiderettes then went on to win the District and Regional Tournaments and became state runner-up, second only to Drewry Mason.

Sheila Parker looks for an open teammate to pass to in the John Yeates game.

1977-78 co-captains Gwen Jordan and Beverly Davis.

Front Row: Margaret Beamon, Renee Evans, Lynn Staton, Faith Holliman, Daisy Rush, mgr. Diane Micnell. Back Row: Mgr. LaTonya Brown, Sheila Parker, Amy Howerton, Faye Tillery, Debra Artis, Coach Nancy Richey, mgr. Kimberly Allen.



Right Top: Faye Tillery races for the ball with onlooker Debra Holloway, Franklin's No. 34, to gain a two point advantage.

Right Below: Miss Richey gives the team a last minute pep talk before the Southampton game.



Beverly Davis becomes airborne pulling down a rebound over Forest Glen player Debra Holloway, No. 34.

Sweat it Out

Coach Sally Butler gives her team some crucial tips before a match.

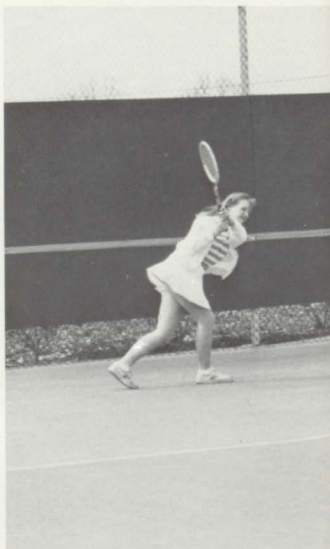
Because of Spring's late arrival Lisa Barnes dons her warm up suit for her pre-game warm up.



"We Won Regionals,

9-0
6-0"

Even though the girls tennis team lacked a superstar; the team showed how hard practice could pay off with practically all wins. The team gained a new coach, Miss Sally Butler, who with lots of encouragement and gope, a chocolate mish-mash, captured the respect and determination by the team members. Phrases like "Get those feet moving" and "Rush to the net" were constantly heard at the practice that led the team to a season unpredicted by some. The biggest upset was the loss to Franklin at the end of the season. But the girls showed how eager they were to resume their position among the winning when they made a clear sweep over the Franklin girls in the District Championship. The team continued practicing those shots that led to a rewarding season for Lucy Peachy, Renne Trump, Lisa Barnes, Barbara Cathey, Ashley Peachy, Debbie Harrell, Mary Kulucas, Robin Stoley, Annette Christian, and Sonya Brown.

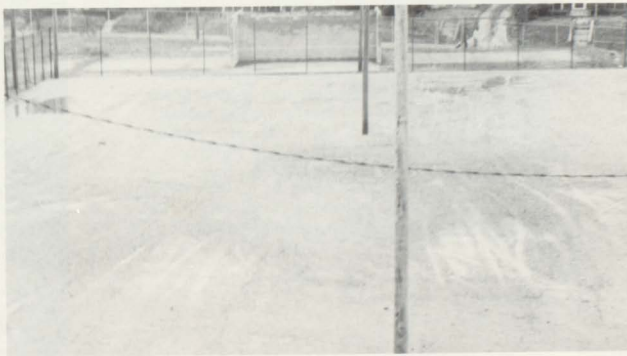




Above: Lucy Peachy demonstrates her winning form in her over-head follow-through.

Opposite Left: With a two-handed backhand, Barbara Cathey overpowers her opponent.

Since the tennis courts were under repair, the tennis teams had to find other places to play.





Bob Chapman swings with an upper forehand as he volleys for the point.

Disappearing Courts Dilemma

The tennis season was rough due to the reconstruction of the courts. The Suffolk Recreation Department disrupted the courts in the middle of the tennis season, forcing quite a problem on the girls and boys tennis teams. The teams could not play their home matches because there was no place to practice. A team member stated:

"It was down right wrong for them to tear up the courts in the middle of the tennis season. Why couldn't they tear the courts up after the season was over?"

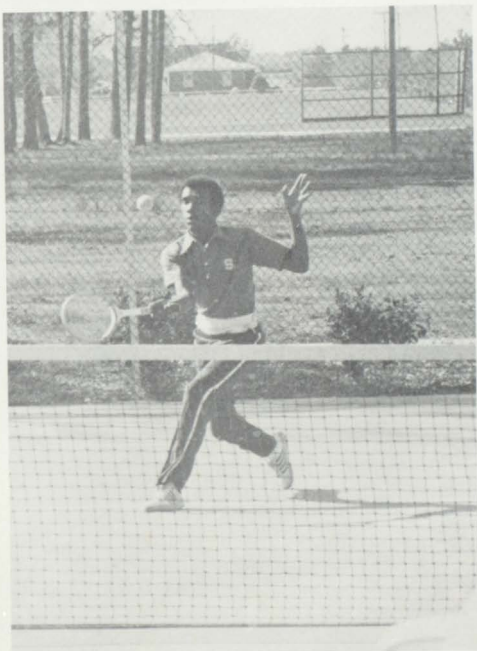
But time went on and the team found a place to practice; a small community park with "sliding board" courts and a crown in the middle. On one of the courts, team members had to run up a hill to hit the ball. Even with all the impediments that faced the boys tennis team, they made out with what they had the best way they could.



Timmy Stacey shows his form as he returns his opponent's serve.



Tennis Team: Front Row: Cornelius Scott, Tommy Johnson, Chris Chap-
pell. Back Row: Coach Bill Varga, Scott
Nash, Timmy Stacey, Bob Chapman.



Cornelius Scott rushes to the net for a
point against his opponent.

Sweat it Out

S-P-I-R-I-T Spell Wins



Winding up for the pitch, Shelia Parker prepares to let loose a fast ball.

Coach Richey yells out approval as teammates Debra Artis and Donna Lassiter run for the home park.



Even though the season was filled with many changes and new experiences, the girls softball team showed that they had what it took to get the ball rolling. The coaching spot was filled with a new face, Miss Nancy Richey. Coach Richey, the former tennis coach, was not the only new face on the scene. The bench was warmed with first year players with the exception of three veterans. Janice Mizelle said, "Everybody learns from everyone else including the coach, veterans, and rookies."

Changes were characteristics in the physical aspect as well as in team spirit. Coach Richey drilled the girls in specific skills during their after school practices. This extra work evidently benefitted their game since they had a winning season.

Things really were rolling in softball. New faces, more stretches, and revived spirit helped to heighten good experiences to those who participated in girls softball.



Janice Mizelle, Betty Lassiter and Sandra Gay prepare for their 3:30 game.

Front Row: Faith Holloman, Jackie Scott, Janice Mizelle, Tracy Smallwood, Betty Lassiter, LaVerne Simpson, Thelma Miller. Second Row: Jennie Alwood, Debra Artis, Faye Tillery, Shelia Ruffin, Sandy Gay, Sue Holland, Shelia Parker.

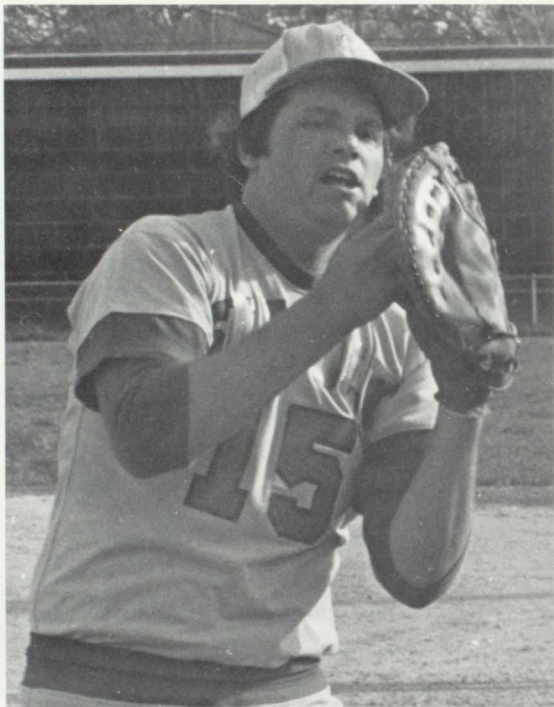


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Weak Bats Spell Raider Woes

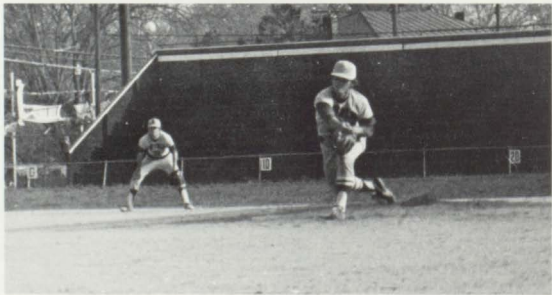


Top: With the "Practice Makes Perfect" theory, Coach Carlson works with the Raider infield before a game with Smithfield.



Top Right: Tommy Austin uses two hands to be sure of catching the ball during warm-ups at the John Yeates game.

Right: Terry Barnes unleashed one of his blazing fastballs which carried him to a one-hitter against Smithfield.





The Raider nine took to the baseball diamond this year with a brand new look. The season opened with a new head coach in Don Carlson and only 4 returning lettermen in Rock Eason, Glen Bell, Jack Riddick, and Mark Hubbard. Adding to this was an extra large squad of 22 players. After struggling through two pre-season defeats, the Raiders unleashed a tremendous 10 run outburst against the Franklin Broncos in the season opener. From there, the Raider's hitting suffered through a horrendous slump which saw them score only one run over a stretch of five games. Often victimized by these hitting droughts was pitcher Terry Barnes. Barnes' effective pitching usually limited the opponents to a meager three or four hits and one or two runs, but ending up losing. Barnes had a final record of 0-4, followed by Glen Bell at 1-4, with Rock Eason combining for a 0-3 record. Rock Eason led the Raider batsmen with a .248 average. Even though they lost 11 of 12 games, in most of them, the Raiders still stayed close enough to almost win many.

Top: Adrian Skinner misses on an attempt to punch a low and outside pitch to the opposite field.

Middle: Jack Riddick unleashes his cannon for a pickoff attempt at second base as Smithfield's Doug Jewell looks on.

Bottom: Front Row: Reggie Soule, Tadpole Wilson, Scott Mills, Rock Eason, Mark Hubbard, Wayne Williams, Eric Hayes, Richard Silver, Nathan Mason. Second Row: Coach Parr, Glen Bell, Richard Parker, Anthony Grant, Brian Edwards, Adrian Skinner, Tommy Austin, Jack Riddick, Charles Killebrew, Terry Barnes, Coach Carlson.

Sweat it Out

Raiders Meet Downfall in Districts

It seemed as if the plague had hit Suffolk. As the season started, new track coach Bruce McCutcheon had an entire squad of only 16 boy and girl members. Despite the small turnout, the Raiders managed to capture second place in each of their 3 regular season meets. However in the district track meet, the Raiders were not up to the task of capturing the district, as they finished in ninth place with 3 points. Suffolk's main steady performer of the season was Steve Jordan who won many points during the season and also placed third in the 100 yard dash at the York Invitational Meet. He capped the season by qualifying for the state track meet in the 100 yard dash.

The girls' part of the track team did not fare as well as the boys'. With only 5 participants, the girls finished eighth in the districts unable to score a point.

Also having a subpar season was the golf team. They too were unable to capture a victory, but salvaged two second places in three matches. At the district match though, since there were only two teams in the district, Suffolk had only to defeat Forest Glen to play in the regionals. Unfortunately, they fell to defeat. A bright spot in that match was that Brian Wyatt qualified for the regional match.

Top Left: Coach McCutcheon lends a hand in keeping meets running smoothly by setting up bar for high jump.

Top Right: Steve Jordan places second with a 10.6 run in the 100 yard dash.

Right: Eagerly trying to catch the leader, Gia Urquhart is disqualified for running out of her lane in the 100 yard dash.

Far Right: Barry Beck vaults 8 feet enroute to second place in the Pole vault.





Top: Front Row: Brenda Copeland, Sharon Jones, Lori Davis, Gia Urquhart, Sonja Urquhart. Second Row: James Hunter, Leon Patton, Randy Morrison, Steve Beck, Victor Williams, Glenn Spruill, William Calvin. Third Row: Steve Jordan, Barry Beck, Edward Costley, Jape Rawls, Tom Golden, Coach McCutcheon.



Middle: Front Row: Brian Wyatt, Martin Richardson. Back Row: Charles Parr, David Esponosa, Coach Bersock, David Wyatt, Billy Cones.

Bottom: Showing graceful style, Brenda Copeland warms up for high jump at a meet with John Yeates and Forest Glen.







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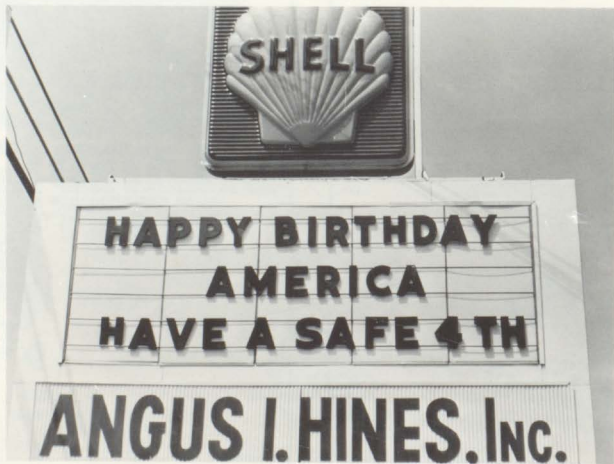


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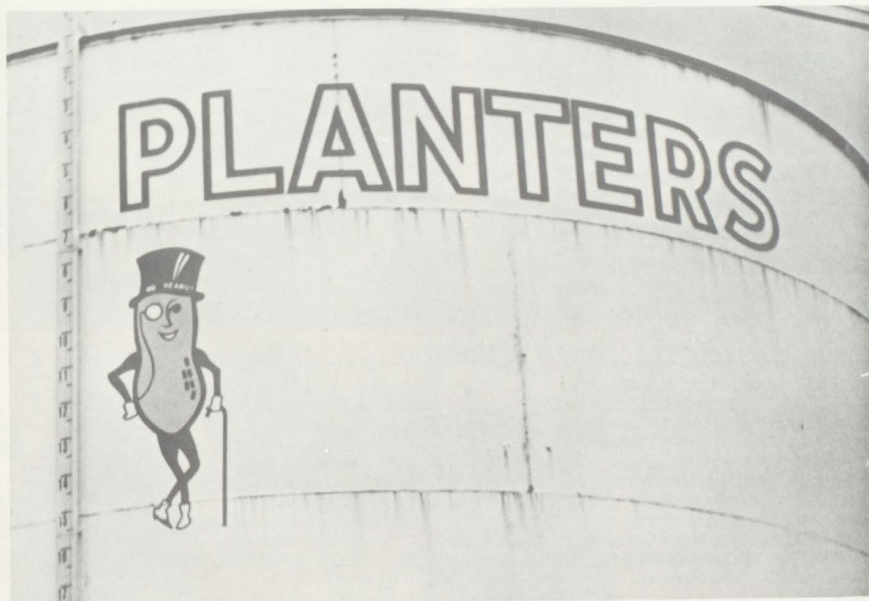
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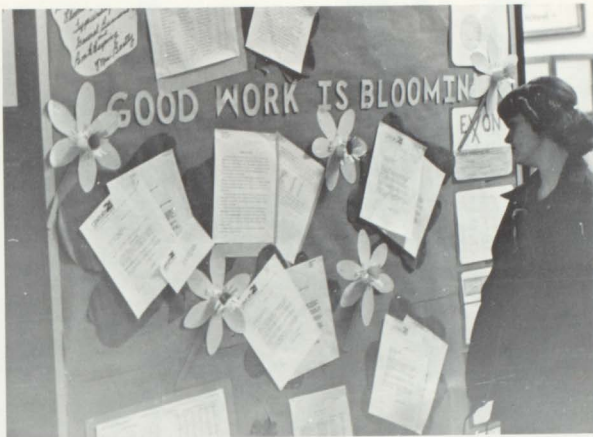
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Top: Mrs. Riter became familiar to the seniors while substituting for Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Barnett.

Despite spring fever, Donna Justice finds that students are still able to do good work.

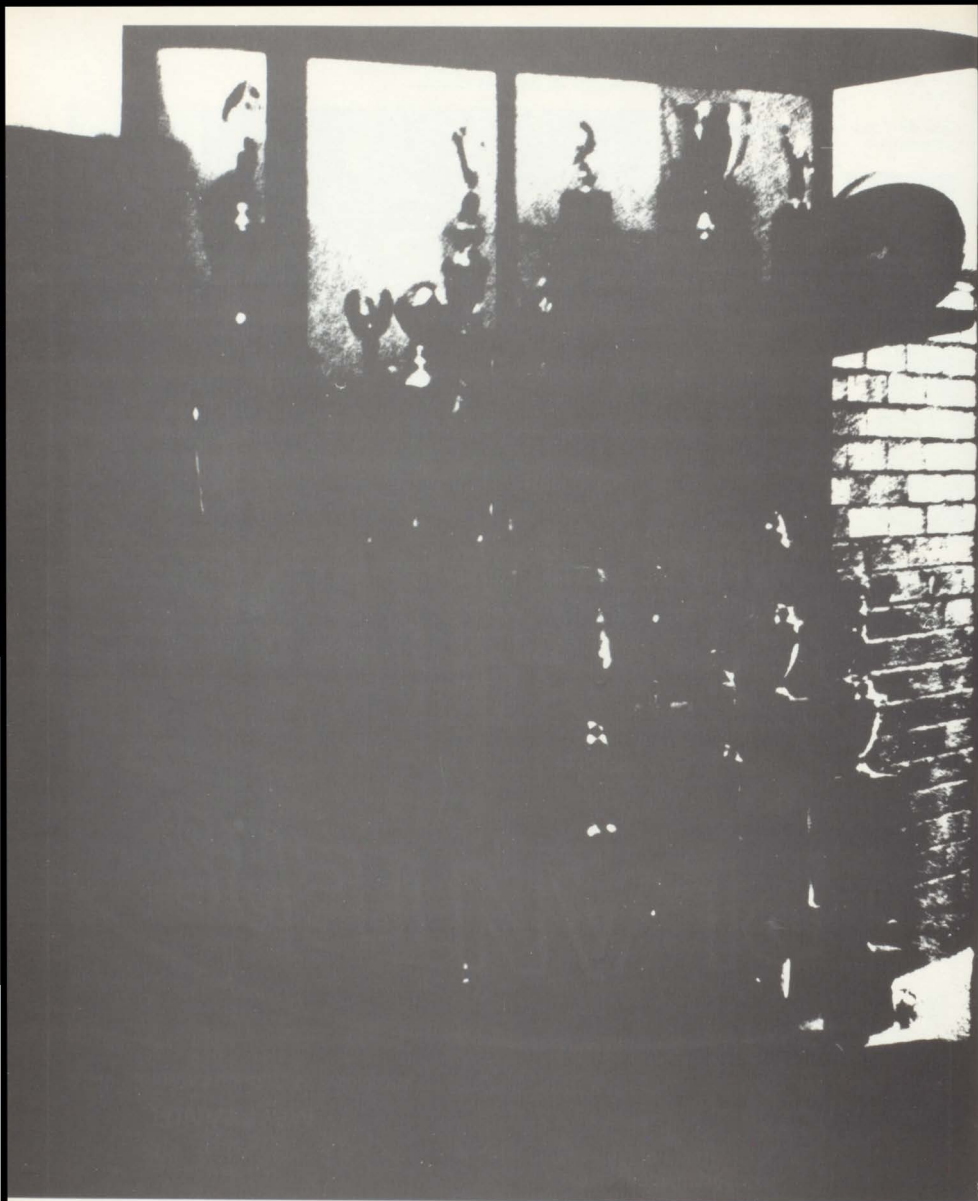
Below: Barry Dillard finds that salt makes french fries taste good.



Above: Larry Gambrell, William Mitchell and Wayne Williams seem as if they would rather look than participate at a pep rally.

Janitorial Staff: From left: Mr. Earl E. Jordan, Mrs. Georgie Boone, Mrs. Catherine Almond and Mr. Thomas Scott.







WHAT WE GAINED

What "we" gained? We gained valuable experience and increased our abilities to create. We learned through involvement; we grew both intellectually and emotionally. The year meant a lot to all of us. From participating in sports, Senior Day, plays, and the prom, we learned about ourselves and about those around us. Sure, we gained a lot — we gained many smiles, many tears, much joy, much pain. But overall, we gained maturity. Here's what "we" gained.

These trophies have been collected through the years as a result of students' participation and achievements in athletics and other activities.

Achievement with an "A"

Remember the first time you roller skated down the whole length of the driveway without falling down? Remember that gold star you got on your alphabet—the star your mother was so proud of that she baked a special cake to celebrate? Way back in grade school, for one thing or another, almost everyone was deemed an achiever. The drive toward achieving personal goals in academics, sports, and talents has remained with our school population throughout many years of education.

Our students have accomplished much during the term. Their achievements have been spelled with a capital "A."



Ann Nurney was the recipient of the D.A.R. Good Citizenship Medal.

Top — Tony Smallwood receives an award for second place in the Virginia Lung Association speech contest.

Bottom — Ledger Star Team — Front Row: May Kay, Jane Bangly, Martha Newsom, Beth Daughtrey, Edward Adams. Back Row: Marvin Fanny, Neil Blair, Jimmy Daughtrey, Margaret Cornett, Bob Chapman, Pete Leggett, Dabney Carr.



The following awards were presented during Senior Day:

- Boys' Athletic Medal — Rock Eason.
- Girls' Athletic Medal — Beverly Davis.
- Drama Medal donated by the Thespian Society — Betsy Barrett.
- Junco Woman's Club Art Scholarship — \$300 to Mary Taylor.
- English Award — Business & Professional Women's Club to Marvin Fanny and Elaine Johnson.
- Boys' Activities Medal — Kenny Miller.
- Girls' Activities Medal — Betsy Barrett.

The following medals and scholarships were presented during Graduation:

- Concerned Citizens Organization of Suffolk — \$100 Scholarship to Kenny Miller.
- Nettie Tucker Yowell Scholarship — Virginia Federation of Business and Professional Women's Club — \$250 to Marvin Fanny.
- Ethel W. Joyner Scholarship — Suffolk Alumnae Chapter, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority — \$100 to Avis Hawkins.
- Saint Paul's College Scholarship — \$250 renewable for four years to Avis Hawkins.



Boys' and Girls' State delegates are Scott Nash, Jimmy Daughtrey, LaTonya Brown, and Sarah Alwood.

- Suffolk Boosters Club Scholarship — \$500 to Charles Killebrew.
- Beta Sigma Phi Sorority Scholarship — \$700 to Mary Kulucas.
- Epsilon Theta Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. Scholarship — \$550 to Denise Ward.
- Agnes Taylor Gray Scholarship to the University of Richmond — Westhampton College — \$710 to Renee Trump.
- Gertrude Pruden Art Scholarship — \$1,000 to Mary Taylor.
- Walter Cecil Rawls and Ella Freeman Rawls Educational Trust Scholarship — \$1,100 to Robin Goodman.
- Hampton Institute Grant-in-Aid for Basketball — \$2,000 to Gwen Jordan.
- "I Dare You" Awards to Asa Minton and Charles Killebrew.
- Good Citizenship Pilgrim Award for Girls, donated by the Constantia Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution — Ann Nurney.
- Citizenship Medal for Boys, donated by Brewer Jewelry Co., Inc. — Rock Eason.
- English Medal, donated by the English Department, Suffolk High School — Renee Trump.
- Mathematics Medal, donated by The United Virginia Bank/Seaboard National — May Kay.
- Wilbert J. Crocker Science Medal, donated by the Science Department, Suffolk High School — May Kay.
- Foreign Language Medal, donated by the Foreign Language Department, Suffolk High School — Carol Branch.
- Social Studies Medal, donated by the Social Studies Department, Suffolk High School — Renee Trump.
- Business Medal — for excellence in Cooperative Office Education — donated by the Business Department, Suffolk High School — Wendy Strickland.
- Suffolk School Board Scholarship Medal — Elaine Johnson.
- The Helen M. Boudiette General Excellence Medal, donated anonymously — Renee Trump.

"Hey, we get to Fly!"

Imagine! Two weeks in England and a week in Switzerland or two weeks in Hawaii. These travels were the summer plans for Sarah Alwood, Dabney Carr, and Susan Nurney. The First Class Senior Girl Scouts were traveling quite a bit in July and August of 1978.

Susan went to Hawaii Hoolaulae on the islands of Hawaii to celebrate, along with 169 other girls, the 200th anniversary of the discovery of the Sandwich Isles. She was the only girl from Tidewater that was chosen to go on the Wider Opportunity. August 2 was Susan's departure date from Washington. She met the other participants in Chicago and Los Angeles. Once in Hawaii, Susan spent her first three days living with a Hawaiian Girl Scout and touring Honolulu. During the rest of her two week visit, she stayed at the University of Hawaii. Susan's nights were filled with tra-

ditional luaus and discotheques. She was "looking forward to getting a moon tan."

Sarah and Dabney were in England for two weeks and Switzerland for a week. Along with 28 other girls and 4 leaders, they spent their first week with Home Hospitality exploring the sights of London, Cambridge, and surrounding areas. Their second week was spent at Glanbrook a camp in Derbyshire. There they participated in caving, canoeing, hang gliding, rock climbing, hiking, and pony trekking. Both Dabney and Sarah enjoyed hang gliding and canoeing. The last week was in the Swiss Alps. The Girl Guide Hostel of Kandersteg was their home base while they visited Our Chalet, the Alpine Cheesery, and the wood cutters. Both girls spent nights sleeping above the tree line, next to the snow.

Bottom — Susan Nurney teaches Alice Bowman and Mary Stevens "Brian's Song."

Below — Hawaii-bound scout, Susan Nurney, gazes at a leaflet that was sent to her by the Council of the Pacific.





Above — Loading bags of newspaper into the car and taking them to Tidewater Fiber in Chesapeake is a common practice for Dabney and Mrs. Carr.



Above — Susan Nurney, Dabney Carr and Sarah Alwood do their favorite thing — fighting over who gets the mint cookies.

Top Left — All four travelers, Susan Nurney, Mrs. Frances Carr, Sarah Alwood and Dabney Carr, gather to discuss their trips and troupe business.

Disappointed by the witch's request of not scratching anyone, Pat Koleszar shows her disgust.

Venita, one of many young viewers is entranced by the happenings in the Land of Oz.



We're Off

... To see the Wizard, the wonderful Wizard of Oz." On April 3, the Thespians carried an entranced audience to the fantastical land of Oz—the land of the Munchkins, the throne room of the great Wizard, and the castle kitchen of the Wicked Witch. This two act play faithfully brought to life the fantasy of the land somewhere over the rainbow. The lead role of Dorothy was played by Tracy Rice, supported by the Scarecrow, the Tinman and the Cowardly Lion, played respectively by Rhonda Hite, Jimmy Daughtrey and Lisa Morrison. An enthusiastic audience was thrilled by the sweetness of Dorothy as she sought a way back home, by the undiscovered intellect of the Scarecrow as he sought his

brain, by the tenderness of the Tinman as he sought his kind and tender heart and by the braveness of the Lion as he sought his courage. Oz, the great and terrible, was realistically portrayed by Edward Vann, who willingly granted everyone's wishes. The Wicked Witch was wickedly portrayed by Kay Ivey, who kept everyone entranced.

Much time and effort was put into the final production which was professionally produced by JoAnne Hunter. Mrs. Hunter was presented a dozen roses on behalf of the large cast and stage crew. Thanks to the cooperation and teamwork of the people involved, the Wizard of Oz proved to be a great success for both cast and audience.



Edward Vann portrays the great Wizard of Oz as a tower high magician in green.



As an expression of appreciation, Rhonda Hite presents Mrs. Hunter with roses following the second performance.



In preparation for the production, Lisa Morrison, Rhonda Hite and Jimmy Daughtrey practice the cage scene during which they are held captives in the witch's castle.

"Now, this is a pretty prom dress." Lois Lawrence looks over a new arrival at Montgomery Wards.

Lydell Hall busily gets ready for another long day at Drug Fair by fixing his check sheet.



At Montgomery Wards, Carol Branch rings up another sale in the boys' department.





Is it really worth it?

After you spent all summer checking every want ad and running all over town in search of a job, you finally found one at the very last place you applied. You began to count all the money that would be coming your way and you thought working was the best thing that had happened to you in a long time.

But after working a few months, you began to wonder if the money was really worth it. You remembered the weekend when the whole gang was going to see Saturday Night Fever and you had to work until 1 in the morning. The next day you went in to work at 8 o'clock, worked until 1 and rushed to school to be ready for the Wizard of Oz performance at 2. Every Saturday you worked from 9:30 to 6 when you should have spent at least half of that time sleeping. When 6 o'clock finally arrived, you rushed home so you could be ready to leave by 7 to go out with your friends. And then there was that one unscheduled work-day. By coincidence, it just happened to be the Sunday that Steve Martin was at Scope. You had had your ticket for over a month, but it was no way to get out of working. So you sat down and brooded over the \$8.50 ticket that was no good anymore, and then suddenly you realized what a big paycheck you would get next week. Then you asked yourself, "why all the worry?"

Marvin Fanny does a quick routine before Drug Fair's morning rush.

Busy looking up records, Martha Newsum spends her Saturdays at Nansemond Drug.

Interim reports evidently disagree with Rhonda Hite as she talks it over with Miss Brinkley.

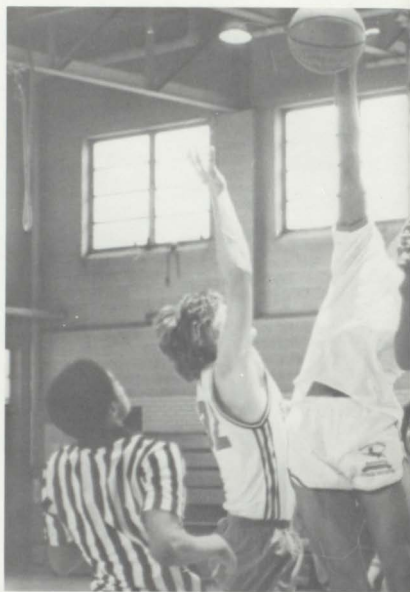


Je monte en autobus au lycée Suffolk à neuf heures. Je vais au musée Chrysler dans quarante minutes. Je descends de l'autobus et j'entre dans le musée. Je regarde beaucoup de peintures et la guide parle souvent. Mon peintre favori est Pablo Picasso. Les peintures sont du style rococo et baroque. Je vais à la boutique, mais je n'achète rien. Je vais à la sortie et je m'ont en autobus. Et alors j'arrive au restaurant La Crêpe et je mange beaucoup. Je mange la quiche lorraine, de la salade, du pain, de la mousse au chocolat, la crêpe aux fraises, et du the. Et alors je monte en autobus et j'arrive à Suffolk. Et alors je dis merci Georges, merci Madame Trump, et je dis merci beaucoup Madame Hamlet.

Martin Richardson

May brings the need of class meetings to organize the many spring events.

Eddie Mazeli has a towering advantage over Mr. Carson in the faculty-student basketball game in which the students were victorious.



CLASS MEETINGS

MON. MAY 8

11:00 - 11:30 A.M.

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Merry Month of May

That merry month of May was characteristic of the bustling spring that our students had. Senior Day and prom preparations were already underway by both juniors and seniors early in the month. Sports were hopping, too, with the Sports Award Banquet, the faculty-student basketball game, and district, regional, and state tennis tournaments. Numerous field trips were squeezed into the final days of school during the last full month of the term. Students from various clubs and departments traveled to such enjoyable places as the Norfolk Botanical Gardens, the Chrysler Museum, and the Mariner's Museum. Many students were involved in the fine arts that were emphasized this fair May. The S.H.S. Choral and the Concert Band presented their annual concerts and several art students entered in the competition at the Suffolk Art Show held at Nansemond-Suffolk Academy. Interim reports were distributed in mid-month and several classes had term papers and projects due sometime during the month of May.

Even though warm weather was late arriving this Spring, the bustling atmosphere of school's ending went on as usually. May definitely was a very merry month for everyone — it was reflected in their smiles!

During an assembly featuring the Air Force Band, Thrust, Princess Rollack is serenaded with a tune from the Commodores.



Back to the Islands

The Senior Class of 1978
of Suffolk High School
Invites you to the
Junior-Senior Prom,
"Hawaii," May 26, 1978.

Aloha, welcome to Hawaii! The Junior-Senior Prom took many of the Seniors and Juniors to the tropical islands of Hawaii. The night came complete with entertainment from Don Ho all the way to exotic hula dancers. With the beautiful murals, painted by the Juniors, all who came truly felt that they had taken a magical cruise to the beautiful beaches of Hawaii. Jamming music was played by "Home Cookin'," a band from Virginia Beach, who played music to please every taste. The highlight of the evening came with the first annual crowning of the Prom Queen, voted on by the Junior class. The Prom Queen for the Junior-Senior, 1978, was a very surprised Pat Cleveland. She was awarded a crown to wear throughout the entire dance. Everyone had an enjoyable time watching the floorshow, dancing, and listening to the music.

For the first time in the school's history, a prom queen was crowned. Pat Cleveland was selected by the Junior Class and filled the position beautifully.



On the Friday of the prom, Juniors were allowed to work in the gym to decorate. Here, Diane Hassell and Margaret Cornett give guidance to Glen Bell and Lee Sadler on the hanging of murals.

Making murals to cover the length of the gym for the prom is not easy work. Mary Williams uses her artistic ability and a little paint to make a drawing look like a real luau.



Tommy Austin presides over the Flag Pole activities during Senior Day.



The parking lot was so full that the Callises had to park their car on the grass.



Renee Picot portraying herself takes pictures of Pernell Williams, James Hunter and Anthony Grant who are portraying the rock group Cameo.



May 23, 1978

Dear Diary,

Today is my Senior Day. For four years I've waited for this day and now it's my turn to walk down those front steps to "Pomp and Circumstance." Down those steps we marched, watching our feet — left, right, turn, left etc. How can I ever forget when Tommy Austin announced the band was going to play "Suffolk Forever" and instead, we heard "The Sound of Music."

The Senior reception was great — plenty of fried chicken (except that the punch ran out because the Coke man never came.) Then, all the Seniors went to Birdsong Recreation Center to line up to march again. We heard those newly familiar strains and we marched in. As we

sat down, we heard Mr. Davis over the intercom asking all students to report to the gym when the bell rang. Everything went fine during the awards and skit. The Senior class gift was left. We left four concrete benches to go on the front steps and polished and lacquered two brass urns given by the class of 1937. But the time came when we exchanged places with the Juniors and they began singing words written by Beth Daughtrey to "Brian's Song." The tears, memories good and bad came back to me in a very real way. Four years are gone, but my memories will linger forever. I can not wait until Graduation!

Good night



Senior Class President, Pam Baines, and Vice President Kenny Miller, lead the Senior Class through the arch to their seats in Birdsong Recreation Center.

Mr. Gene Davis, Assistant Principal, The Rev. Robert Fridley, and Mr. Benjamin Davis, Jr., Assistant Superintendent of Suffolk City Schools, watch the graduating class march in.

The parents, students, faculty, and administration look on as Sharon Hinton is presented her diploma.



**We're
the best**

**We're
the great**

**We're
the class of**

78!

The Night Finally Came

Why does it always rain on the most important day in our lives? Graduation night came and so did the rain. A few gowns were dampened but the rain didn't dampen the spirit and excitement of the graduates. Although there were radiating smiles from many a senior's face, their minds were kept busy looking back on their past school years and trying to focus on what their next step would be.

Awards and scholarships proved to many that their four years of hard work and concerned involvement were totally worth it. Receiving diplomas seemed to be the symbolic end of high school years. When "Pomp and Circumstance" began, the realization that the recession would be the last time the class of 1978 would walk down the aisles and through the halls as a senior struck a sentimental chord in many. Suffolk High School would become the alma mater instead of the dreaded "prison" that students were required to attend.

The night, the rain, the joy, and the sadness would be remembered by everyone as the end of one adventure and the beginning of a brand new experience.

Pam Baines, Senior Class President, welcomes the students, parents, faculty, and administration on the night of graduation.



Above — The graduating girls anxiously await their diplomas.



Left — The Reverend Robert D. Fridley ended graduation night with the Benediction.

A Dedication

The **Peanut** is an annual geared around the activities of the students. For this reason, and many others, we feel that the annual should be dedicated to a person who has helped us the most throughout our years of high school.

One person that stands out the most in our minds has helped us grow throughout the years. You have stayed by our sides the past four years, moving to that final pathway, guiding us through the hard times as well as the good. It is because of this guidance and your dedication that many students have grown to love and respect you, not only as a teacher, but as a person to whom we can relate.

When something needed to be done, you were always there willing to give it your all. When we felt that things were not going to work out, you always gave us the confidence we needed to pull us through. Now it is our turn to show this love and respect we feel for you and thank you for your dedication to our students. We would like to dedicate this, the 1978 **Peanut** of Suffolk High School, to you, a great friend,

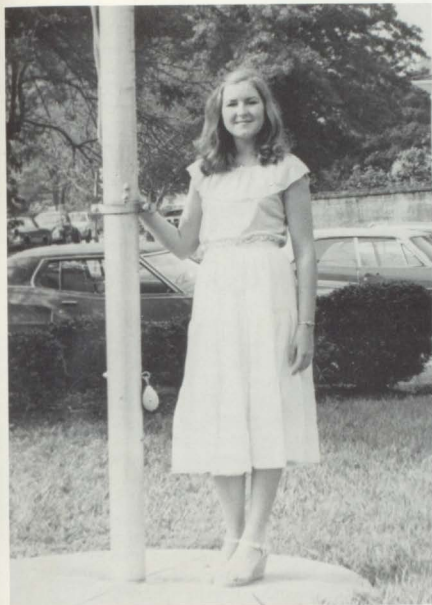
Miss Nan Howard



Top — Miss Howard makes a brief thank you speech to the **Peanut** and the students while Ann Nurney and Renee Picot, co-editors of the **Peanut**, smile with happiness.

Left — In her favorite place, the art room, Miss Howard helps Sherry Allen with a drawing.

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. . . Pete Leggett for using her talent in writing and proofreading copy.



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Colophon

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Ins and Outs



If "variety is the spice of life," then our students really spiced it up with their out-of-school activities. That was, when they could find time after struggling through six hours in school and then filling their evenings with nightly homework assignments, school sports activities, and projects such as the dreaded term paper.

Among the many facets of entertainment, students participated in a variety of creative and relaxing activities. Sports such as skiing, basketball, and skateboarding provided an output of energy after a brain draining week of school. The weekend staged a sparkling adventure for each individual. Some found their entertainment by attending Friday and Saturday night dances and weekend parties where friends could share their leisure time together. Concerts were considered tops when it came to spectacular entertainment and the many movies provided fun as well as an out-of-town jaunt. Weekend trips to VMI, UVA, and other colleges, as well as roughing it while camping, filled many students spare time.

Whatever the individual's pleasure was, everyone enjoyed spare moments and filled the time with activities that interested them. Those activities involved students both **in** and **out** of school throughout the year.

At the sound of the final bell, students rush to engage in something that doesn't require note taking or text reading.

Road signs are a familiar sight for those who travel to nearby metropolitan areas to view movies, dine out, or shop.

Ready for a jamming weekend, Odell Delotch starts on his route to home or wherever.

Glazing down snowy slopes is one of Edward Higinbotham's and many other students' favorite things.



Often a Friday or Saturday night brings a basketball game or disco dance at the nearby Birdsong Recreation Center.

It's Over . . .

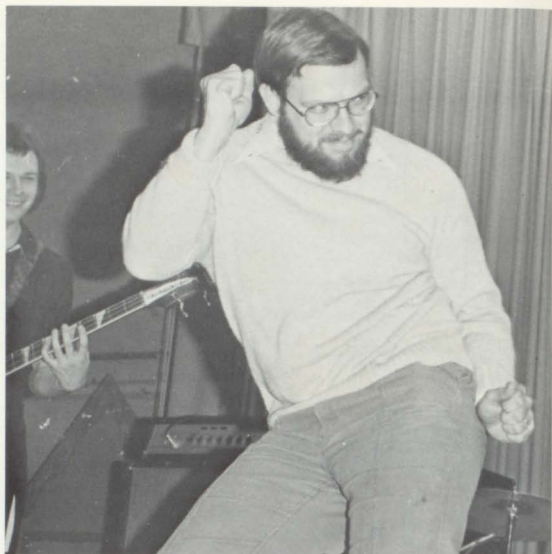
Well, the school term finally ended. The end that kids thought would never come; the end that through those tedious last days, resulted in many going so far as to pull out their hair. For others, the end was a melodramatic experience, a climax of numerous days and years of dedicated work.

But as we all looked back on the year, we saw the fun and the excitement. We saw the bad times and the tears. We saw the growth and the changes. Then, we realized that without the different personalities, without the different faces, without the different direction of goals — the year wouldn't have been what it was. We — all of us from those that played sports to those that worked —

WE MADE IT WHAT IT WAS!



Donna Smith busily writes the answers on her first semester exam.

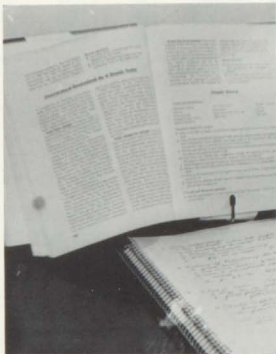


Top — Mr. Biersack gets into the swing of things. He is participating in a twist contest during the "THRUST" concert.

Below — These well known faces will not be seen around Suffolk High next year. Front Row: Mrs. Lackey is having a baby, Mrs. Trump is going to the Central Office as Supervisor of Secondary Education. Back Row: Mr. Biersack is getting married, Mr. Langdon is going to VPI, and Mr. Sakell is going to pursue other goals.



The rain never stopped Janice Mizelle and Thelma Miller from supporting the football team.



When summertime comes, all of the notebooks and books are closed and put away until the fall.

Senior Rick Callis is having his last hamburger and french fries in the school's cafeteria.

We knew it had to end this way . . .

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